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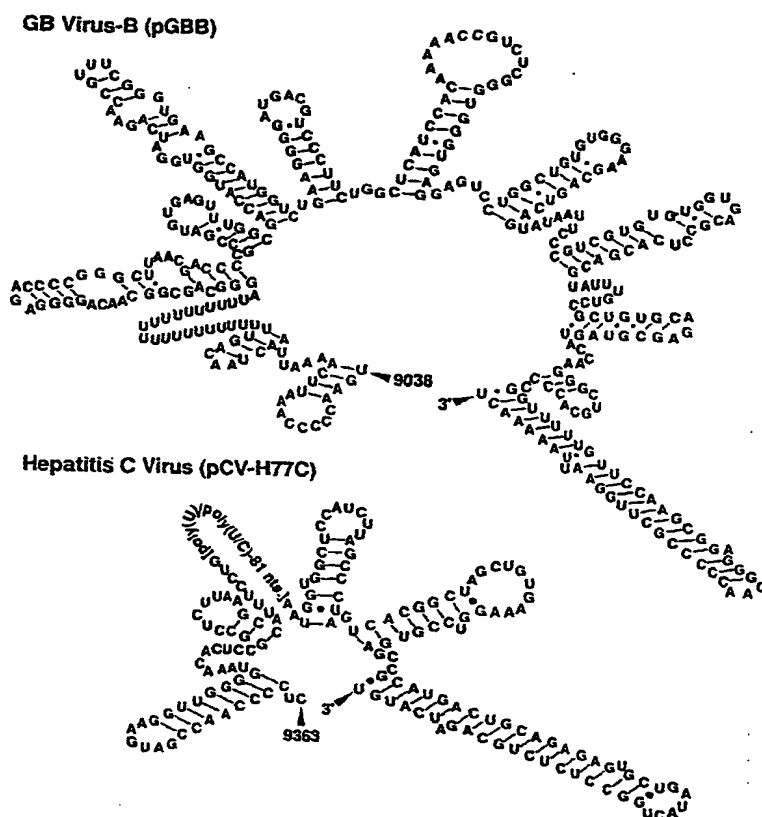
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(54) Title: INFECTIOUS cDNA CLONE OF GB VIRUS B AND USES THEREOF



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to nucleic acid sequence which comprises the genome of an infectious GB virus B clone. The invention also relates to the use of the nucleic acid sequence of the infectious GB virus B clone to indirectly study the molecular properties of HCV, and in the production of HCV/GBV-B chimeras. The invention further relates to the use of the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GB virus B clone and the HCV/GBV-B chimeras in the development of vaccines and therapeutics for HCV.

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Title of Invention

Infectious cDNA clone of GB Virus B and Uses Thereof

Field of Invention

5 The present invention relates to nucleic acid
sequence which comprises the genome of an infectious GB
virus B (GBV-B) clone. The invention also relates to
the use of the nucleic acid sequence of the infectious
10 GB virus B clone to study indirectly the molecular
properties of hepatitis C virus (HCV), and in the
production of HCV/GBV-B chimeras. The invention further
relates to the use of the infectious nucleic acid
sequence of the GB virus B clone and the HCV/GBV-B
15 chimeras in the development of vaccines and therapeutics
for HCV.

Background of Invention

20 Transmission studies of potential human
hepatitis agents were first reported in 1967 (Deinhardt
1967). Four tamarins inoculated with acute phase sera
from a surgeon with acute hepatitis (patient GB)
developed hepatitis, as did most tamarins inoculated in
serial passage studies. Subsequent studies indicated
25 that the etiological agent responsible for the
development of hepatitis in these animals was not any of
the known human hepatitis viruses (Purcell 1994). In
1995, two related RNA viruses named GB virus-B (GBV-B)
and GB virus A (GBV-A) were identified in acute phase
30 sera of a tamarin which developed hepatitis following
inoculation with serum of the eleventh tamarin passage
of the putative GB agent (Simons 1995a).

35 GBV-B infection of tamarins resulted in acute
resolving hepatitis (Schlauder 1995, Buhk 1997). The

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° natural host of GBV-B is still unknown as the virus has not been detected in uninoculated animals or in humans.

GBV-A, on the other hand, is an indigenous tamarin virus rather than a component of the original GB inoculum (Bukh 1997, Erker 1998). Experimental
5 infection of tamarins with GBV-A did not produce hepatitis (Schlauder 1995). A human agent, GBV-C or hepatitis G virus, most closely related to GBV-A, was later identified (Simons 1995b, Linnen 1996). However,
10 it is still not clear whether this virus actually causes hepatitis (Alter 1998, Bukh 1998a). Thus, of the known GB viruses, GBV-B may be the only true hepatitis virus.

Based on analysis of their genomic sequences, GBV-A, GBV-B and GBV-C were classified as members of the
15 *Flaviviridae* family of viruses, and among the known viruses, GBV-B is the virus most closely related to hepatitis C virus (HCV) (Muerhoff 1995, Robertson 1998).

The GBV-B virus contains a positive-sense, single-stranded RNA genome of 9143 nucleotides (nts)
20 (Simons 1995a, Muerhoff 1995). The viral genome of GBV-B consists of a 5' untranslated region (UTR), a single long open reading frame (ORF) and a 3' UTR. Based on
25 known motifs, structural proteins were predicted to be encoded in the 5' portion of the ORF and nonstructural (NS) proteins in the 3' portion of the ORF (Muerhoff 1995). The hydropathy plots of the polyproteins of GBV-B and HCV are very similar even though the overall
30 homology of the predicted polyproteins between GBV-B and HCV is only about 25-30% (Muerhoff 1995). The putative envelope proteins (E1 and E2) of GBV-B and HCV share common structural features, and significant homology was
35 observed between the NS3 serine protease, the NS3 RNA

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° helicase, and the NS5 RNA-dependent RNA polymerase regions of GBV-B and HCV (Muerhoff 1995). Furthermore, the function and substrate specificity of the GBV-B and HCV NS3 serine proteases are also similar (Scarselli
5 1997). The genomic structure and organization of GBV-B and HCV share additional features of interest. First, colinear regions with significant sequence homology were identified in the 5' UTRs (Muerhoff 1995) and the
10 predicted IRES structure of GBV-B is similar to that of HCV (Lemon 1997). Second, both viruses begin the 3' UTR with a short sequence followed by a poly (U) stretch followed by additional nucleotides (50 nucleotides for GBV-B and 98 nucleotides for HCV). However, the 3'
15 terminal sequence of HCV forms a stable stem-loop structure (Kolykhalov 1996) whereas the published 3' terminal sequence of GBV-B does not.

To date, molecular studies of HCV are severely limited by the lack of an efficient cell culture system
20 for the virus and by expense and limited availability of chimpanzees, the sole animal model for HCV. Accordingly, a less expensive and more readily available animal than chimpanzees is necessary as an animal model
25 for the study of HCV.

Summary of Invention

The present invention relates to nucleic acid sequence which comprises the genome of an infectious GB
30 virus B (GBV-B) clone. It is therefore an object of the invention to provide nucleic acid sequence which encodes an infectious GBV-B. Such nucleic acid sequence is referred to throughout the application as "infectious
35 nucleic acid sequence".

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As significant structural homology exists between the genomes of GBV-B and HCV, the invention also relates to the use of infection of tamarins with the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GBV-B or with mutants of the infectious sequence to study indirectly the molecular properties of hepatitis C virus (HCV) or as a preliminary screen to identify agents which have antiviral activity against HCV.

The invention further relates to "chimeric nucleic acid sequences" consisting of portions of the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GBV-B and portions of the nucleic acid sequences of other viruses closely related to GBV-B such as HCV, GBV-C or other members of the *Flaviviridae* family which do not replicate in tamarins. In a preferred embodiment, the chimeric nucleic acid sequences consist of portions of the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GBV-B and portions of the nucleic acid sequence of HCV. The nucleic acid sequences taken from GBV-B and HCV can be open-reading frame sequences, and/or sequences from the 5'UTR and/or 3'UTR.

In one embodiment, GBV-B/HCV chimeras may be made in which 5' or 3' UTR sequences of the GBV-B infectious clone are replaced with the corresponding sequence from an HCV clone.

In another embodiment, GBV-B/HCV chimeras may be constructed in which the structural or non-structural regions of GBV-B are replaced by corresponding regions of HCV. Thus, such a chimera would contain, for example, the HCV structural region in a GBV-B "genomic backbone". Of course, it is understood by one of skill in the art that the construction of the above-described

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chimeric nucleic acid sequences may be reversed such that, for example, the GBV structural region may replace the structural region of an HCV genome to produce a chimera in which the GBV structural region is contained in an HCV backbone.

The invention further relates to the use of the chimeric nucleic acid sequences of the invention to study the functions of HCV genes, and for the development of vaccine and antiviral agents against HCV.

The invention also relates to the use of the infectious GBV-B nucleic acid sequence, the mutated GBV-B nucleic acid sequences or the chimeric sequences of the invention to identify cell lines capable of supporting the replication of GBV-B or the chimeras of the invention.

The present invention also relates to the polypeptides encoded by the nucleic acid sequences of the invention or fragments thereof.

The present invention further relates to the in vitro and in vivo production of GBV-B, mutant GBV-B viruses or chimeric GBV-B/HCV viruses from the nucleic acid sequences of the invention.

The invention also provides that the nucleic acid sequences and viruses of the invention be supplied in the form of a kit, alone or in the form of a pharmaceutical composition.

Brief Description Of Figures

Figure 1 shows a flow diagram of GB virus transmission studies in two species of tamarins, *Saguinus mystax* (SM) and *Saguinus oedipus* (SO). The animals infected with GBV-B (Simons 1995a) are boxed.

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Two serum pools (GB 8/93 and GB 2/94) were made from acutely infected animals. Both pools contained GBV-B, as well as GBV-A (Simons 1995) at a titer of 10^8 genome equivalent (GE)/ml. A 10% liver homogenate (CT 11/91) was made from a sacrificed tamarin. A number of *S. mystax* tamarins (SM 737, 749, 750, 760, 782, 795 and 799) and *S. oedipus* tamarins (SO 100) were naturally infected with GBV-A_{SM} and GBV-A_{SO}, respectively, prior to inoculation (Bukh 1997). Only two tamarins (SM 720 and 748), both GBV-A_{SM} negative, became infected with GBV-A (Simons 1995) following inoculation. Tamarins SM42 and SM670 were not tested for GBV-A or GBV-A_{SM}.

Figure 2 shows the course of GBV-B infection in tamarins (*S. mystax*) inoculated with a dilution series of the GB 2/94 pool. All animals were inoculated intravenously at week 0 with 1 ml of the indicated dilution. Results of qualitative RT-nested PCR for GBV-B in serum are shown at the top (filled circles, positive; empty circles, negative). Serum levels of isocitrate dehydrogenase (ICD in units/ml; shaded area) and the estimated \log_{10} GBV-B GE titer (vertical columns) were plotted against time.

Figure 3 shows alignment of the 3' UTR sequences of GBV-B. The sequence of the infectious clone of GBV-B (pGBB) is shown at the top (nts. 9038-9399). The other sequences shown are: pGBB5-1, a non-infectious clone of GBV-B; GBV-B, a prototype of GBV-B (Simons 1995); eleven "gb" clones obtained from CT 11/91 liver homogenate by 5' RACE on the minus-strand GBV-B RNA; four "29" clones obtained from GB 2/94 pool by RT-PCR across 5'-to-3'-end-ligated viral GBV-B RNA; and seven "GBB3" clones obtained from GB 2/94 pool by standard RT-PCR.

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With pGBB as the reference, nucleotide substitutions or insertions are shown as uppercase letters, identical nucleotides are shown as dots and nucleotide deletions are shown as dashes.

Figure 4 shows the predicted secondary structure of the 3' UTRs of GBV-B and HCV as determined by the program "mfold" (Genetics Computer Group).

Figure 5 shows the course of GBV-B infection in *S. mystax* tamarins transfected with RNA transcripts of pGBB. Both animals were negative for GBV-A_{SM}. At week 0 transcription mixtures were injected into tamarins by percutaneous intrahepatic injection guided by ultrasound. Results of qualitative RT-nested PCR for GBV-B in serum is shown at the top (filled circles, positive; empty circles, negative). Serum levels of isocitrate dehydrogenase (ICD in units/ml; shaded area) and the estimated log₁₀ GBV-B GE titer (vertical columns) were plotted against time.

Figures 6A-6F show the nucleotide sequence of the infectious hepatitis C virus clone of genotype 1a strain H77C and Figures 6G-6H show the amino acid sequence encoded by the clone.

Figures 7A-7F show the nucleotide sequence of the infectious hepatitis C virus clone of genotype 1b strain HC-J4 and Figures 7G-H show the amino acid sequence encoded by the clone.

Description of The Invention

The present invention relates to nucleic acid sequence which comprises the genome of an infectious GB virus B (GBV-B) clone. The nucleic acid sequence which comprises the genome of an infectious GBV-B virus is

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° shown in SEQ ID NO:1 and is contained in the plasmid construct pGBB deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) on May 28, 1999 and having ATCC accession number PTA-152. The present invention relates
5 to the identification of a 260 nucleotide sequence at the 3' end of the infectious GBV-B clone which is shown in Example 3 to be necessary for the development of the infectious clone.

10 Since GBV-B is the virus most closely related to HCV, the present invention also relates to experimental infection of tamarins with the infectious GBV-B clone of the invention or with mutants of the infectious GBV clone to study indirectly the molecular
15 properties of HCV or as a preliminary screen to identify agents which have antiviral activity against HCV. For example, since the predicted internal ribosome entry site (IRES) structure in the 5'UTR of GBV-B is similar to that of HCV (Lemon 1997), the NS3 serine proteases of
20 GBV-B and HCV have been shown to share substrate specificity in vitro (Scarselli 1997), and the 3'UTRs of HCV (Yanagi 1999) and GBV-B (see Examples) have been shown to be critical for viral infectivity, mutagenesis
25 of these regions in the GBV-B infectious clone may be undertaken to examine IRES function, NS3 serine protease activity or the role of the 3'UTR in viral infectivity in vivo. Where such "mutations" are introduced into the GBV-B clone of the invention to create a "mutated" GBV-B
30 sequence, the mutations include, but are not limited to, point mutations, deletions and insertions. Of course, one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that the size of the insertions would be limited by the
35 ability of the resultant nucleic acid sequence to be

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properly packaged within the virion. Such mutations could be produced by techniques known to those of skill in the art such as site-directed mutagenesis, fusion PCR, and restriction digestion followed by religation.

Alternatively, given the significant structural homology that exists between the genomes of GBV and HCV, the infectious GBV-B clone may be used to screen for inhibitors of IRES function or viral enzyme activity (for example, NS3 helicase, NS3 protease, NS2-NS3 protease or NS5B RNA polymerase activity). Such inhibitors may be useful as antiviral agents to HCV since viral enzyme activity and IRES function are known to be critical for HCV replication.

The effect of such inhibitors on the IRES function or viral activity of the GBV-B encoded by the infectious sequence of the invention may be measured by assays known to those of skill in the art to measure directly or indirectly viral replication or viral pathogenicity. Such assays include, but are not limited to, the measurement of virus titer in serum or liver of an infected tamarin by PCR or the measurement of GBV-B viral protein expression in liver cells of an infected tamarin by immunofluorescence or Western blot. Of course, it is understood that a comparison of results obtained for control tamarins (treated only with infectious nucleic acid sequence) with those obtained for treated tamarins (nucleic acid sequence and antiviral agent) would indicate, the degree, if any, of antiviral activity of the candidate antiviral agent. Of course, one of ordinary skill in the art would readily understand that the tamarins can be treated with the candidate antiviral agent either before or after

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° exposure to the infectious nucleic acid sequence of the present invention.

In yet another embodiment, the invention relates to "chimeric nucleic acid sequences" which consist of portions of the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GBV-B and portions of nucleic acid sequences of viruses which are related to GBV-B such as HCV, GBV-C and other members of the Flaviviridae family which do not infect tamarins. In a preferred embodiment, chimeric nucleic acid sequences consist of portions of the infectious nucleic acid sequence of GBV-B and portions of nucleic acid sequences of hepatitis C viruses (HCV) of various genotypes or subtypes; preferably portions of nucleic acid sequence of infectious HCV clones of genotypes 1a (ATCC accession number PTA-157; Figures 6A-6F), 1b (ATCC accession number 209596; Figures 7A-7F) or 2a (ATCC accession number PTA-153; SEQ ID NO: 4). The nucleic acid sequences taken from GBV-B and HCV can be open-reading frame sequences, and/or sequences from the 5'UTR and/or 3'UTR. The gene borders of the HCV genome, including nucleotide and amino acid locations, have been determined, for example, as depicted in Houghton, M. (1996), and the putative gene borders of the GBV-B are shown in Table 1.

Of course, it is understood that the production of GBV-B/HCV chimeras could include insertion of specific genes or regions of the infectious GBV-B clone into an HCV "genomic backbone" (where the HCV genomic backbone is preferably an infectious nucleic acid sequence of HCV genotypes 1a, 1b or 2a described above) or alternatively, could include insertion of

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specific genes (or portions thereof) or regions of an HCV genome into the GBV-B infectious clone of the invention. Of course, where HCV genes or regions are to be inserted into the GBV-B infectious clone, it is to be understood that the inserted HCV sequences may be unmodified or may be mutated in order to examine the effect of the mutation(s) on the function of the inserted HCV gene or region in the chimeric GBV-B-HCV virus.

Such chimeras can readily be produced by methods known to those of ordinary skill in the art.

In one embodiment, GBV-B/HCV chimeras may be made in which 5' or 3' UTR sequences of the GBV-B infectious clone are replaced with the corresponding sequence from an HCV clone. For example, chimeras may be constructed in which the IRES sequence of the infectious GBV-B clone is replaced by the IRES sequence of HCV. Such chimeras can be used in identifying inhibitors of IRES activity which would be useful as antiviral agents, or could be used to examine HCV IRES function in vivo. Alternatively, mutations could be introduced into the HCV IRES contained in the GBV-B clone in order to examine the effect of the mutation(s) on IRES function in vivo.

Alternatively, GBV-B/HCV chimeras may be made in which the 3'UTR sequence of GBV-B is replaced by the 3'UTR sequence of HCV. As the 3' terminal stem-loop structure is believed to be important for initiation of RNA replication and has been shown to be critical for infectivity of HCV in vivo, such chimeras may be used for more detailed analysis of the function of the 3' UTR

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° sequence of HCV in vivo and for the testing of candidate antiviral agents.

In another embodiment, GBV-B/HCV chimeras may be constructed in which the structural or non-structural regions of GBV-B are replaced by corresponding regions
5 of HCV. Such chimeras would be useful in identifying whether the inability of HCV to infect tamarins is due to the inability of HCV's structural region to bind the receptor necessary for infection of tamarins or to the
10 absence of sequences in HCV's nonstructural regions which are necessary for replication in tamarins. For example, the ability to infect tamarins with GBV-B/HCV chimeras in which the non-structural region of GBV-B is
15 replaced by the non-structural region of HCV would indicate that the structural genes of GBV-B are necessary for viral infection in tamarins, and that the inability of HCV to infect tamarins is likely due to its lack of receptors for HCV.

20 Alternatively, the ability to infect tamarins with GBV-B/HCV chimeras in which the structural region of GBV-B is replaced by the structural region of HCV would indicate that the non-structural genes of GBV-B
25 are critical for viral infection in tamarins, and that the inability of HCV to infect tamarins is likely due to HCV's lack of nonstructural sequences which are necessary for replication in tamarins.

30 Of course, GBV-B-HCV chimeras may be constructed in which only a portion of the non-structural or structural regions of GBV-B are replaced by the corresponding portions of HCV sequences. For example, a chimera in which only one or two of the three
35 structural genes (C, E1 and E2) of GBV-B are replaced by

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the corresponding HCV structural genes may be made. In one embodiment, nucleic acid sequences comprising the E1 and E2 genes of GBV-B may be replaced by the sequences comprising the HCV E1 and E2 genes. In another embodiment, nucleic acid sequence comprising either the E1 or E2 gene of GBV-B is replaced by sequence encoding either the HCV E1 or E2 gene.

Alternatively, only a fragment of a GBV-B structural gene in the infectious GBV clone may be replaced with the corresponding HCV gene fragments. For example, the amino terminal of the GBV-B E1 gene may be replaced by the corresponding portion of an HCV E1 gene or an amino terminal portion of the GBV-B E2 gene may be replaced by an amino terminal portion of HCV E2 gene tht containing the HVR1 region. As the structural genes of HCV are believed to be important for neutralization, chimeras containing an HCV structural gene(s) or fragment(s) thereof can be used to develop vaccines against HCV.

In yet another embodiment, chimeras in which individual non-structural genes of GBV-B, such as NS3 RNA helicase, NS3 protease, or the NS5B RNA-dependent RNA polymerase are replaced by the corresponding non-structural genes of HCV may be constructed. Such chimeras would, for example, be useful in identifying inhibitors of viral enzyme activity which would be useful as antiviral agents. Of course, it is understood that in order to construct chimeras in which the polyprotein cleavage sites of the GBV-B remain intact, it may be desirable to replace only a fragment of a nonstructural gene of GBV-B with the corresponding HCV gene fragment.

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° The present invention also relates to polypeptides encoded by the nucleic acid sequences of the invention or fragments thereof. In one embodiment, said polypeptide or polypeptides may be fully or
5 partially purified from viruses produced by cells transfected with the nucleic acid sequences of the invention. In another embodiment, the polypeptide or polypeptides may be produced recombinantly from a fragment of the nucleic acid sequences of the invention.
10 In yet another embodiment, the polypeptides may be chemically synthesized.

 The present invention further relates to the in vitro and in vivo production of GBV-B, mutated GBV-B
15 or chimeric GBV-B/HCV viruses from the nucleic acid sequences of the invention.

 In one embodiment, the sequences of the invention can be inserted into an expression vector that functions in eukaryotic cells. Eukaryotic expression
20 vectors suitable for producing high efficiency gene transfer in vivo are well known to those of ordinary skill in the art and include, but are not limited to, plasmids, vaccinia viruses, retroviruses, adenoviruses
25 and adeno-associated viruses.

 In another embodiment, the sequences contained in the recombinant expression vector can be transcribed in vitro by methods known to those of ordinary skill in
30 the art in order to produce RNA transcripts which encode the GBV-B of the invention. The GBV-B of the invention may then be produced by transfecting cells by methods known to those of ordinary skill in the art with either the in vitro transcription mixture containing the RNA
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° transcripts or with the recombinant expression vectors containing the nucleic acid sequences described herein.

5 In assaying the ability of the mutated GBV-B sequences or of the chimeric sequences of the invention to infect tamarins, the virulence phenotype of the virus produced by transfection of tamarins with the sequences of the invention can be monitored by methods known in the art such as measurement of liver enzyme levels (alanine aminotransferase (ALT) or isocitrate
10 dehydrogenase (ICD)) or by histopathology of liver biopsies.

The present invention also relates to the use of the infectious GBV-B sequence, the mutated GBV-B
15 nucleic acid sequences or the chimeric sequences of the invention to identify cell lines capable of supporting the replication of GBV-B or the chimeras of the invention.

20 Transfection of tissue culture cells with the nucleic acid sequences of the invention may be done by methods of transfection known in the art such as electroporation, precipitation with DEAE-Dextran or calcium phosphate, or incorporation into liposomes.

25 In one such embodiment, the method comprises the growing of animal cells in vitro and transfecting the cells with the nucleic acid of the invention, then determining if the cells show indicia of GBV-B or HCV infection. Such indicia include the detection of viral
30 antigens in the cell, for example, by immunofluorescence procedures well known in the art; the detection of viral polypeptides by Western blotting using antibodies specific therefor; and the detection of newly
35 transcribed viral RNA within the cells via methods such

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as RT-PCR. The presence of live, infectious virus particles following such tests may also be shown by injection of cell culture medium or cell lysates into healthy, susceptible animals, with subsequent exhibition of the signs and symptoms of GBV-B infection.

Suitable cells or cell lines for culturing GBV-B or the chimeric GBV-B-HCV include, but are not limited to, lymphocyte and hepatocyte cell lines known in the art.

Alternatively, primary hepatocytes can be cultured, and then infected; or, the hepatocyte cultures could be derived from the livers of infected tamarins. In addition, various immortalization methods known to those of ordinary skill in the art can be used to obtain cell-lines derived from hepatocyte cultures. For example, primary hepatocyte cultures may be fused to a variety of cells to maintain stability.

The invention also provides that the nucleic acid sequences and viruses of the invention be supplied in the form of a kit, alone or in the form of a pharmaceutical composition.

All scientific publication and/or patents cited herein are specifically incorporated by reference. The following examples illustrate various aspects of the invention but are in no way intended to limit the scope thereof.

EXAMPLES

Materials and Methods

Source of GB virus B

Two tamarin pools VR-806, (American Type Culture Collection) and H205, were used for experimental

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transmission of the GB virus agents to tamarins species *Saguinus mystax* and *Saguinus oedipus*.

Amplification, cloning and sequence analysis of GBV-B

Viral RNA was extracted from aliquots of the
GB 2/94 serum pool or CT 11/91 liver homogenate with the
TRizol system (GIBCO/BRL). Primers used in cDNA
synthesis and PCR amplification were based on the
genomic sequence of GBV-B published by Simons et al
(Simons 1995) shown in SEQ ID NO:3. Long RT-PCR was
performed using Superscript II reverse transcriptase
(GIBCO/BRL) and the Advantage cDNA polymerase mix
(Clontech) as described previously (Tellier 1996). Four
subgenomic regions of GBV-B covering the entire
published sequence (Simons 1995) were amplified from
serum and the PCR products were purified and cloned into
pGEM-9Zf(-) (Promega) or pCR2.1 vector (Invitrogen)
using standard procedures.

The 5' terminus of GBV-B was amplified from
serum by using the rapid amplification of cDNA ends
(RACE) with dC or dA tailing (GIBCO/BRL) and GBV-B
specific antisense primers. Two different approaches
were used to determine the 3' terminal sequence of GBV-
B. In one approach, GBV-B RNA extracted from serum was
circularized with T4 RNA ligase (Promega) and the 5'-to-
3'-end-ligated viral RNA was amplified in RT-PCR using
specific GBV-B primers. In the second approach, the 5'
end of the negative strand GBV-B RNA extracted from the
liver homogenate was amplified using the 5' RACE with dC
tailing and GBV-B specific sense primers. The PCR
products were cloned directly into pCR2.1-TOPO by using
the TOPO TA Cloning Kit (Invitrogen).

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° The consensus sequence of GBV-B was determined by direct sequencing of PCR products (nucleotides 1-9078 and nucleotides 9130-9359) and by sequence analysis of the clones (nucleotides 1-7135 and nucleotides 7151-9399). Nucleotide positions correspond to those of the infectious clone (pGBB). Analyses of genomic sequences were performed with GeneWorks (Oxford Molecular Group) (Bukh 1995). To determine whether the GenBank data base contained sequences with homology to the GBV-B 3' UTR sequence identified in the present invention, a "Blast" search was performed. The predicted secondary structure of the GBV-B and HCV 3' UTR sequences were determined by the program "mfold" (Genetics Computer Group).

15 Construction of consensus cDNA clones of GBV-B

First, clone pGBB5-1, a consensus clone of GBV-B 2/94 containing the 3' terminus of GBV-B as published by Simons et al was constructed (Simons 1995a). The core sequence of the T7 promoter, a 5' guanosine residue and the sequence of GBV-B (9139 nucleotides) were cloned into pGEM-9Zf(-) vector using *NotI*/*SacI* sites. A *BamHI* site was included at the GBV-B 3' terminus. Digested fragments containing the consensus sequence were purified from subclones and ligated using convenient sites. Next, a second consensus clone of GBV-B, clone pGBB, was constructed by inserting the additional 3' terminal sequence, amplified by PCR from one of the clones obtained by the RACE procedure described above, into pGBB5-1 using *XmaI* (at position 9114) and *BamHI* sites. A *XhoI* site was inserted following the GBV-B 3' terminus. DH5-alpha competent cells (GIBCO BRL) were transformed and selected on LB agar plates containing 100 µg/ml

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ampicillin (SIGMA) and amplified in LB liquid cultures at 30°C for 18-20 hrs (Yanagi 1997). Each cDNA clone was re-transformed to select a single clone, and large-scale preparation of plasmid DNA was performed with a QIAGEN plasmid Maxi kit as described previously (Yanagi 1997). Each clone was genetically stable since the digestion pattern was as expected following retransformation and the complete sequence was the expected one.

Intrahepatic transfection of tamarins with transcribed GBV-B RNA

In 100 µl reactions, RNA was transcribed *in vitro* with T7 RNA polymerase (Promega) from 10 µg of linearized template plasmid. The plasmid pGBB5-1 was linearized with *Bam*HI (Promega) and the plasmid pGBB was linearized with *Xho*I (Promega). The integrity of the RNA was checked by electrophoresis through agarose gel stained with ethidium bromide. Each transcription mixture was diluted with 400 µl of ice-cold phosphate-buffered saline without calcium or magnesium (SIGMA) and then immediately frozen on dry ice and stored at -80°C. Within 24 hours of synthesis, two transcription mixtures were injected into each tamarin by percutaneous intrahepatic injection guided by ultrasound (Emerson, 1992; Yanagi 1998, 1999). If the tamarin did not become infected, the same transfection was repeated once. All transfected animals were negative for GBV-A_{SM} as determined by the protocol described previously (Bukh 1997a).

Monitoring of experimental course in tamarins

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° Serum samples were collected weekly from the tamarins and monitored for liver enzyme levels [alanine aminotransferase (ALT), gamma-glutamyltranspeptidase (GGT), and isocitrate dehydrogenase (ICD)] by standard methods and for GBV-B RNA by a specific reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) assay. Total RNA was extracted from 100 µl of serum using the TRizol reagent. The RNA pellet was resuspended in 10 mM dithiothreitol (DTT) containing 5% (vol/vol) of RNasin (20-40 u/µl) (Promega). The RT-nested PCR was performed with primers from the 5' UTR of GBV-B (external primer pair: 5'-CCT AGC AGG GCG TGG GGG ATT TCC-3' and 5'-AGG TCT GCG TCC TTG GTA GTG ACC-3'; internal primer pair: 5'-GGA TTT CCC CTG CCC GTC TG-3' and 5'-CCC CGG TCT TCC CTA CAG TG-3'). The reverse transcription was performed with avian myeloblastosis virus reverse transcriptase (Promega) and the external anti-sense primer and nested PCR was performed with AmpliTaq DNA polymerase or AmpliTaq Gold DNA polymerase (Perkin Elmer) as described previously (Bukh 1998a). Specificity was confirmed by sequence analysis of selected DNA products. Each set of experiments included a positive control sample (a 10⁻⁶ dilution of GB 8/93, estimated titer 100 genome equivalent (GE)) and appropriate negative control samples. The genome equivalent (GE) titer of GBV-B in positive samples was determined by RT-nested PCR on 10-fold serial dilutions of the extracted RNA (Bukh 1998a). One GE was defined as the number of GBV-B genomes present in the highest dilution positive in RT-nested PCR. The sensitivity of this RT-nested PCR assay for GBV-B was equivalent to that of our RT-nested PCR assay for HCV (Bukh 1998b), for example, conserved NS3

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primers which had the same sensitivity for GBV-B as the 5' UTR primers could detect HCV at optimal sensitivity in samples with known HCV genome titer. Testing for GBV-A and GBV-A variants was performed by RT-nested PCR assays as described previously (Bukh 1997a).

The consensus sequence of the complete ORF was determined by direct sequencing of overlapping PCR products obtained by long RT-nested PCR on serum from one of the tamarins infected with RNA transcripts as previously described (Yanagi 1997).

Example 1

Transmission of GB Agent in Tamarins

To generate virus pools of the GB agent, tamarins were inoculated intravenously with pooled sera of the eleventh tamarin passage of this agent (Fig. 1). Acute phase sera from a *S. mystax* tamarin which developed hepatitis were pooled (GB 8/93) and inoculated into additional *S. mystax* tamarins to generate a second pool of acute phase serum (GB 2/94). Both serum pools contained approximately 10^8 GE/ml of GBV-B and GBV-A. A 10% liver homogenate (CT 11/91) was prepared from a *S. oedipus* tamarin which developed hepatitis following inoculation with the twelfth passage of the GB agent. The titer of GBV-B in the liver homogenate was approximately 10^7 GE/ml. The GB 2/94 serum and CT 11/91 liver samples were used as GBV-B cloning sources in the present study.

Inoculation of eight *S. mystax* tamarins with ten-fold serial dilutions of the GB 2/94 pool demonstrated that its infectivity titer of GBV-B was 10^8 tamarin 50% infectious doses (TID₅₀) (Fig. 2). The five

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GBV-B infected tamarins all developed acute resolving hepatitis characterized by early appearance of viremia (weeks 1 or 2 p.i.), peak viral titers of 10^7 - 10^8 GE/ml and clearance of viremia after 9-16 weeks (Fig. 2). Two of these tamarins (*S. mystax* 769 and 777) were infected only with GBV-B and were negative for GBV-A and GBV-A_{SM}, whereas the other three tamarins were infected with both GBV-B and GBV-A_{SM}. A *S. mystax* tamarin inoculated with the liver homogenate also developed acute resolving hepatitis with peak GBV-B titers of 10^7 GE/ml and clearance of viremia after 11 weeks. Likewise, four *S. mystax* tamarins inoculated with dilutions of the GB 8/93 pool developed acute resolving hepatitis with clearance of the GBV-B virus after 11-26 weeks. Thus, GBV-B infection in *S. mystax* tamarins is characterized by acute hepatitis, early appearance of viremia, high peak viral titers and viral clearance.

Example 2

Novel 3' Terminal Sequence of GBV-B

The consensus sequence of the complete 5' UTR of GBV-B (nucleotides 1-445) was deduced from 13 clones containing nucleotides 1-283 and 3 clones containing nucleotides 31-445. In addition, the entire 5' UTR sequence was determined by direct sequencing of the amplicons. The sequences of the various clones were highly conserved and the consensus 5' UTR sequence of GBV-B from this pool was identical to that of the previously published sequence for GBV-B (Simons 1995a). It is noteworthy that 13 of 15 clones analyzed from the rapid amplification of cDNA ends (RACE) procedure contained the published GBV-B 5' terminus (A residue)

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and that the same 5' terminus was obtained whether the 5' RACE was performed with dC or dA tailing.

The consensus sequence of the ORF (nucleotides 446-9037) was determined by direct sequencing of PCR products obtained using long RT-PCR (Yanagi 1997). In addition, 3 clones containing nts. 446-7135 (one of these clones had a deletion of nts. 3036-3636), 2 clones containing nts. 2019-3373, 5 clones containing nts. 7151-8261 and 7 clones containing nts. 7521-9037 were analyzed. The sequences of GBV-B clones in this pool were very homogeneous. Evidence of micro-heterogeneity was found at only 70 (0.8%) nucleotide and 36 (1.3%) amino acid positions, scattered throughout the ORF. The proportion of amino acid positions with heterogeneity ranged from 0.5-3.2% in different putative gene regions (lowest in NS3 and NS5B; highest in E2 and NS2). The GBV-B ORF sequence differed from the published sequence of GBV-B (Simons 1995) at 34 (0.4%) nucleotide and 12 (0.4%) deduced amino acid positions, respectively (Table 1).

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Table 1

Nucleotide and amino acid differences among GBV-B (Simons 1995a), the consensus sequence of GBV-B recovered from a virus pool used as the cloning source (GBV-B, 2/94) and the infectious clone of GBV-B (pGBB).

Genomic Region*	Position nt [aa]	Nucleotide			Amino Acid		
		GBV-B	GBV-B 2/94	pGBB	GBV-B	GBV-B 2/94	pGBB
5' UTR (1-445)							
C (446-913)							
E1 (914-1489)	1030	C	T	T			
E2 (1490-2641)	1498	T	C (t)	C			
	1628 [395]	G	A (g)	A	V	I (V)	I
	2552 [703]	G	A (g)	A	D	N (D)	N
	2562, 2563 [706]	C, A	A, C	A, C	P	H	H
	2566	T	T	T			
	2625 [727]	C	T	T	A	V	V
NS2 (2642-3385)	2647	C	T (c)	T			
	2816 [791]	C	T	T	L	F	F
	2855 [804]	A	G	G	T	A	A
	3235	A	G	G			
NS3 (3386-5125)	3475**	C	C (t)	T			
	3760	C	T (c)	T			
	4114	C	T	T			
	4117	C	A	A			
	4177	T	C	C			
	4615	C	T	T			
NS4A (5126-5290)							
NS4B (5291-6034)	5329	C	T	T			
	5332	T	C	C			
	5350	A	C	C			
	5455	C	T (c)	T			
NS5A (6035-7267)	6413	T	A (t)	A	L	M (L)	M
	[1990]						
	6577	G	T	T			
	6690	T	C (t)	C	I	T (I)	T
	[2082]						
	6965	T	C (t)	C	S	P (S)	P
	[2174]						
	7015	A	G (a)	G			
	7128	G	A	A	G	E	E
	[2228]						
	7138**	A	A	G			
	7142	A	G	G	T	A	A
	[2233]						
NS5B (7268-9037)	7282	T	C (t)	C			
	7849	C	A	A			
	7852	C	T	T			
	8942	G	A (g)	A	V	I (V)	I
	[2981]						
	8971	T	C	C			
	9026	C	T (c)	T			
3' UTR (9038-9399)	9067	T	C	C			
	Poly(U)	27 nts	11-23 nts	23 nts			
	9134	Deletion	C	C			
	9141-9399	ND	259 nts	259 nts			

*Nucleotide positions corresponding to pGBB. Putative gene borders defined as suggested by homology with HCV (Muerhoff 1995). No homology was observed at the NS2-NS3 junction.

**Positions that differ between the cloning source (GBV-B 2/94) and the infectious clone of GBV-B (pGBB). The change introduced into pGBB at position 7138 introduced an artificial *SalI* site. nd: Not determined. Nucleotides and amino acids shown in parenthesis were found as a minor species in the cloning source (GBV-B, 2/94)

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° The sequence for the 3' UTR is shown in Figure 3. Additional 3' UTR sequence was initially identified by performing RT-PCR across 5'-to-3'-end-ligated viral RNA extracted from serum. In all 4 clones with GBV-B sequences, the 5' UTR was truncated compared to the published sequence (Simon 1995a). However, whereas one clone (29c) had the exact 3' terminus previously published by Simons et al. (Simons 1995a), the three other clones (29a, 29b, 29d) had 150 additional terminal nucleotides. Compared with the published sequence, all four clones had a single nucleotide insertion (C residue) at position 9134. Next, RACE using dC-tailing only was performed on the 5' end of the negative-strand RNA extracted from the liver homogenate. All 11 clones analyzed had additional sequences at the 3' terminus. Compared with the published GBV-B sequence, two clones (gb6, gb23) had 259 additional nucleotides, 8 clones (gb9, gb19, gb20, gb21, gb24, gb25, gb30, gb35) had 236 additional nucleotides and 1 clone (gb8) had 232 additional nucleotides. Moreover, all of these clones had the insertion at position 9134. The 3' UTR sequences among the various clones were highly conserved (Fig. 3). To demonstrate that the terminal 22 nucleotides found only in clones gb6 and gb23 existed in circulating viruses, RT-nested PCR was performed on 10-fold serially diluted RNA extracted from the serum pool GB 2/94 using an RT and external antisense primer deduced from this sequence. GBV-B RNA was detected at a dilution of 10^{-7} and the sequence of the amplicon was identical to the sequence recovered from the liver homogenate. Thus, the 3' UTR of GBV-B consists of a short sequence of 30 nucleotides followed by a 11-24

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° nucleotide-long poly (U) tract (single C residues were
observed in GBV-B from the liver homogenate) and a 3'
terminal sequence of at least 309 nucleotides. The new
GBV-B 3' UTR sequence did not have significant homology
5 to any of the sequences deposited in the GenBank
database. A prediction of the secondary structure of
the 3' UTR sequence is shown in Figure 4. The most
notable feature of the secondary structure is a highly
stable stem-loop structure at the very 3' end consisting
10 of 47 nucleotides.

Example 3

The pGBB Clone of GBV-B is Infectious *in vivo*

15 The infectivity of RNA transcripts from the
consensus clone pGBB5-1 which encompassed only the
published GBV-B sequence (Simons 1995) was first tested.
Within the GBV-B sequence there were no deduced amino
acid differences and only 2 nucleotide differences (at
20 nucleotide positions 3475 and 7138) between the
consensus sequence of the cloning source (GBV-B 2/94)
and the sequence of pGBB5-1 clone. In addition, the 3'
UTR of pGBB5-1 had a deletion at nucleotide position
25 9134 and was missing the 3' terminal 259 nucleotides
(Fig. 3). Prior to transcription, the pGBB5-1 clone was
linearized at the *Bam*HI site with digestion at the exact
GBV-B 3' terminus. The RNA transcripts from pGBB5-1
were injected into the liver of two tamarins (*S. mystax*
30 797 and 815). GBV-B RNA was not detected in weekly
serum samples collected during 17 weeks of follow-up.
As the susceptibility of these two tamarins to GBV-B was
subsequently demonstrated by experimental infection
35 using a GBV-B virus pool, the consensus clone pGBB5-1

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° which lacks the 3' terminal sequence of GBV-B is thus not infectious *in vivo*.

Next, the infectivity of RNA transcripts from the full-length consensus GBV-B cDNA clone pGBB was tested. The pGBB clone was identical to the pGBB5-1 clone except in the 3' UTR. Thus, in addition to a 5' UTR of 445 nucleotides, an ORF of 8592 nucleotides encoding 2864 amino acids and a 3' UTR of 103 nucleotides, the pGBB clone also contains an additional 259 nucleotides in its 3' UTR. pGBB was linearized at the XhoI site which added an additional C residue at the 3' end of the transcribed GBV-B RNA. When RNA transcripts from the pGBB clone were injected into the liver of two tamarins (*S. mystax* 816 and 817), both tamarins became infected with GBV-B with viremia at week 1 p.i. and peak viral titers of 10^8 GE/ml (Fig. 5). The consensus sequence of PCR products of the complete ORF, amplified from serum obtained during week 2 p.i. from one tamarin (*S. mystax* 817), was identical to the sequence of pGBB, including at the two positions which differed from the consensus sequence of the cloning source and from the published sequence of GBV-B (Table 1). By performing RT-PCR as desired above, it was demonstrated that the very 3' terminal GBV-B sequence of pGBB existed in the circulating viruses in this tamarin. Within two weeks of the transfection both tamarins developed hepatitis with dramatically elevated liver enzyme levels (Fig. 5). Thus, the pGBB clone is infectious *in vivo* whereas the clone pGBB5-1 which lacks the last 259 nucleotides was not.

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule which encodes GB virus-B, said molecule capable of expressing said virus when transfected into cells.

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2. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein said molecule encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

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3. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 2, wherein said molecule comprises the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

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4. A DNA construct comprising a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1.

5. A DNA construct comprising a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 3.

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6. An RNA transcript of the DNA construct of claims 4 or 5.

7. A cell transfected with the DNA construct of claims 4 or 5.

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8. A cell transfected with RNA transcripts of claim 6.

9. A GB virus-B polypeptide produced by the cell of claim 7.

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10. A GB virus-B polypeptide produced by the cell of claim 8.

11. A GB virus-B produced by the cell of claim 7.

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12. A GB virus-B produced by the cell of claim 8.

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13. A GB virus-B whose genome comprises a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1.

14. A GB virus-B whose genome comprises a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 3.

15. A method for producing a GB virus-B comprising transfecting a host cell with the DNA construct of claims 4 or 5.

16. A method for producing a GB virus-B comprising transfecting a host cell with the RNA transcript of claim 6.

17. A composition comprising a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 suspended in a suitable amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or excipient.

18. A composition comprising a nucleic acid molecule of claim 3 suspended in a suitable amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or excipient.

19. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1 in which a 3' or 5' UTR sequence of the genome is replaced by a corresponding region of the 3' or 5' UTR sequence of a hepatitis C virus genome.

20. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 19, wherein a 3' UTR sequence of the genome of a GB virus-B is replaced by a corresponding 3' UTR sequence of a hepatitis C virus genome.

21. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 20, wherein the 3' UTR sequence is the 3' UTR terminal stem loop sequence.

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22. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 19, wherein a 5' UTR sequence of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by a corresponding 5' UTR sequence of a hepatitis C virus genome.

23. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 22, wherein the 5' UTR sequence is the IRES sequence.

24. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1 in which the non-structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the non-structural region of a hepatitis C virus genome.

25. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 24, wherein at least one gene from the non-structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the corresponding gene from the non-structural region of a hepatitis C virus genome.

26. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 25, wherein the gene from the non-structural region is selected from the group consisting of NS3 protease, NS3 RNA helicase, or NS5B RNA polymerase.

27. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1 in which the structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the structural region of a hepatitis C virus genome.

28. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 27, wherein at least one gene from the structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the

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corresponding gene from the structural region of a hepatitis C virus genome.

29. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 28, wherein the gene from the structural region is selected from the group consisting of E1, E2 or C.

30. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 28, wherein the E1 and E2 genes from the structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B have been replaced by the E1 and E2 genes of a hepatitis C virus genome.

31. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 28, wherein the E1 gene from the structural region of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the E1 gene of a hepatitis C virus genome.

32. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 28, wherein the E2 gene from the structural regions of the genome of a GB virus-B has been replaced by the E2 gene of a hepatitis C virus genome.

33. A DNA construct comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claims 19, 24 or 27.

34. An RNA transcript of the DNA construct of claim 33.

35. A virus whose genome comprises a nucleic acid molecule according to claims 19, 24 or 27.

36. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a hepatitis C virus genome in which a 3' or 5' UTR sequence of the genome is replaced by a corresponding region of the 3' or 5' UTR sequence of a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1.

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37. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a hepatitis C virus genome in which the non-structural region of the genome has been replaced by the non-structural region of a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1.

38. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a chimeric virus genome, said genome being a hepatitis C virus genome in which the structural region of the genome has been replaced by the structural region of a GB virus-B genome according to claim 1.

39. A polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule of claims 19, 24 or 27.

40. A polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule of claims 36, 37 or 38.

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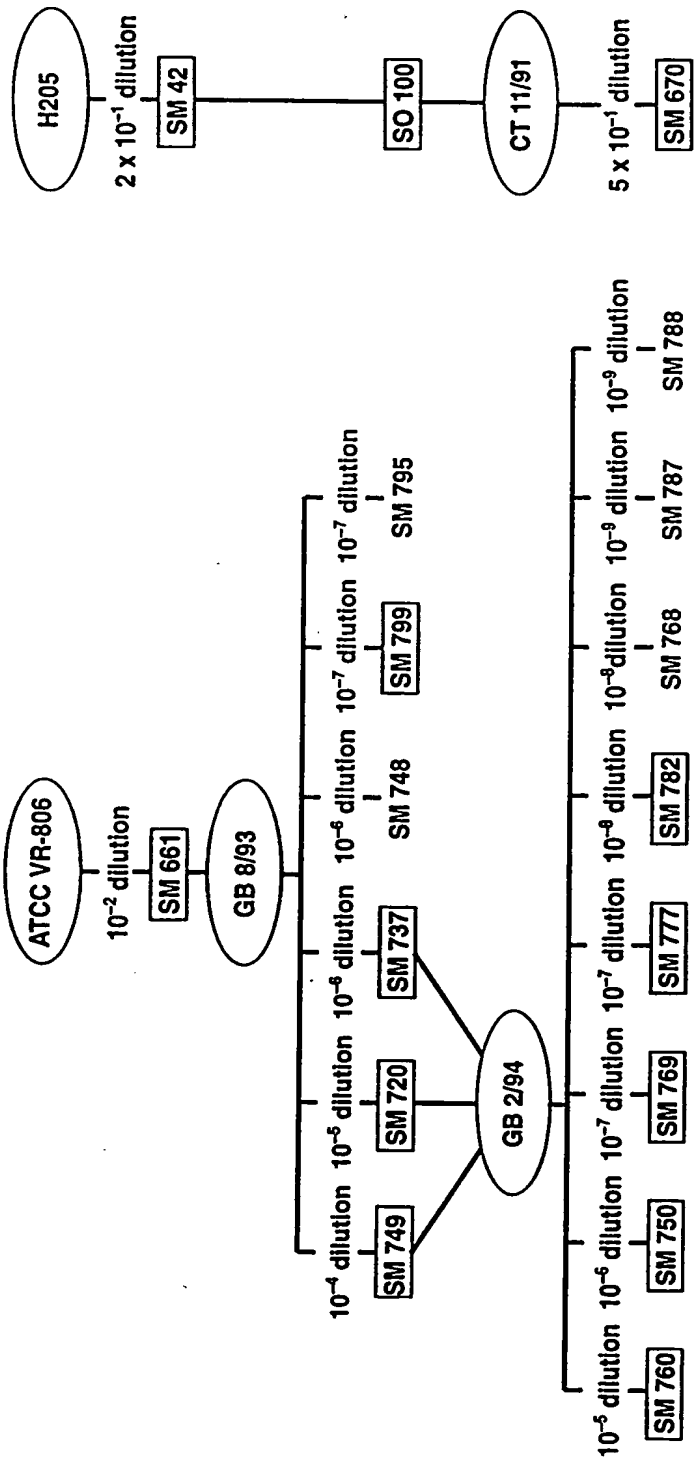
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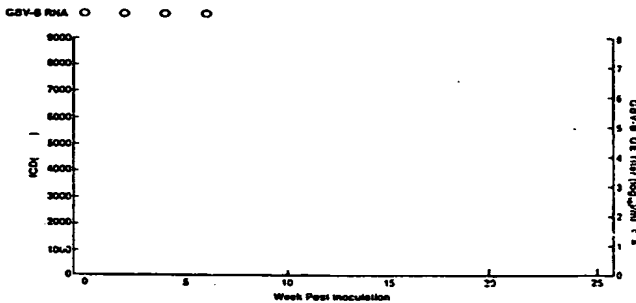
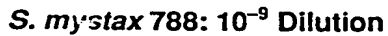
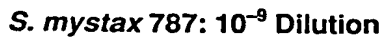
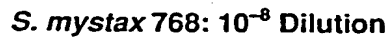
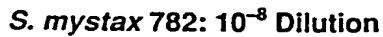
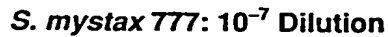
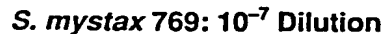
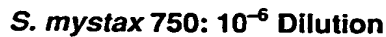
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FIG. 1



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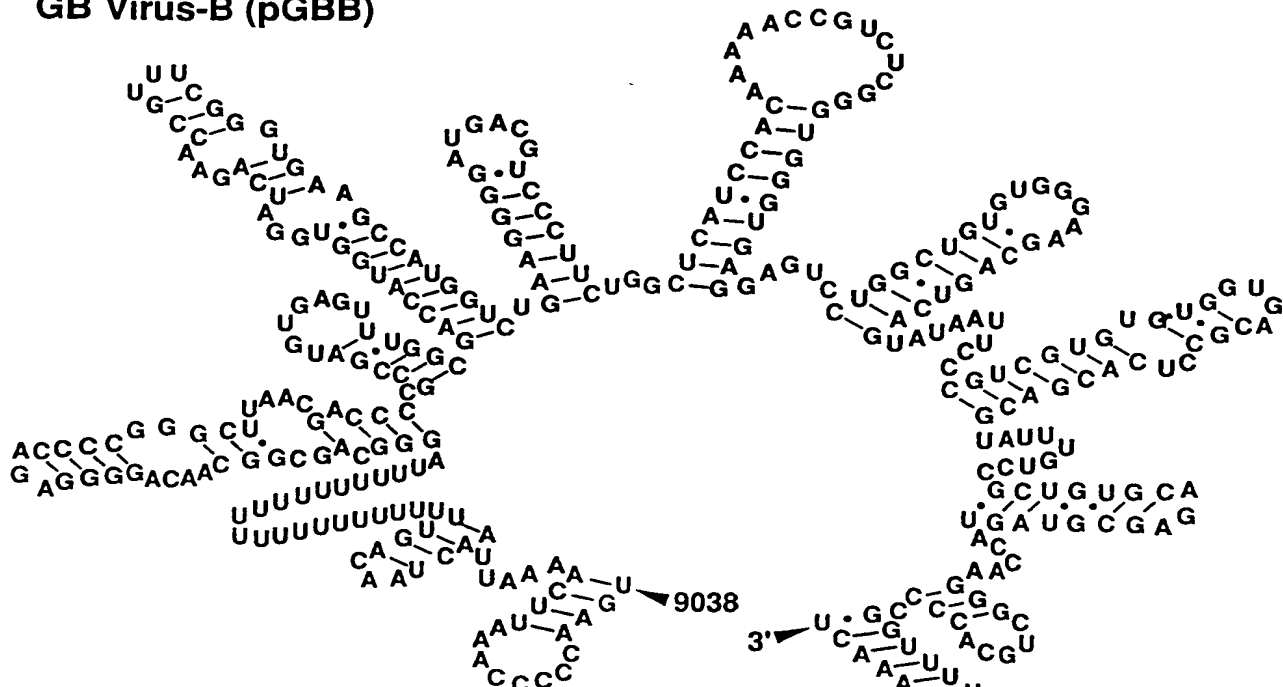
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FIG. 3

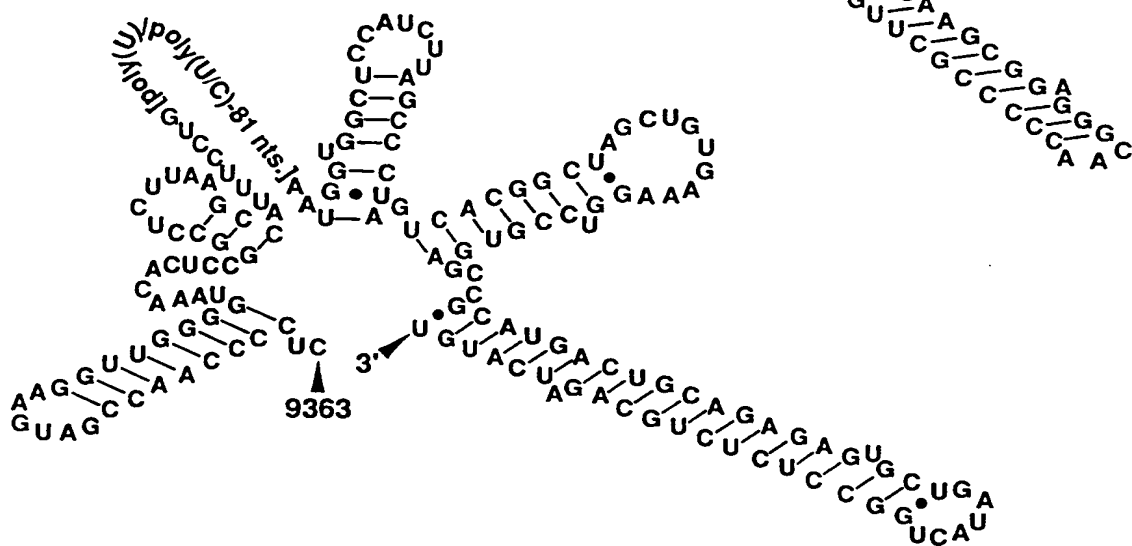
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FIG. 4

GB Virus-B (pGBB)

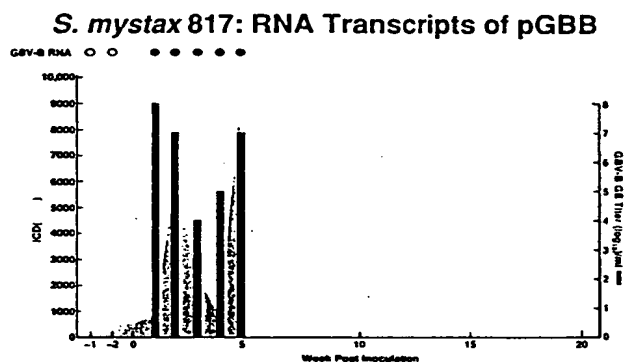
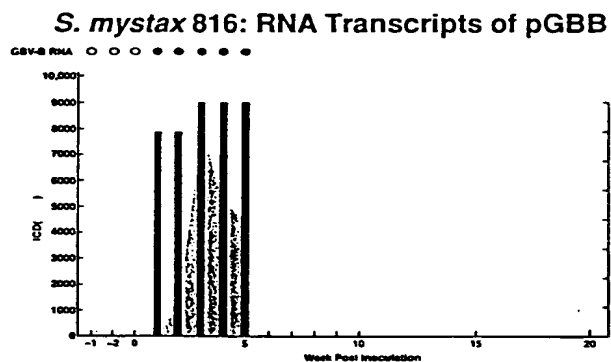


Hepatitis C Virus (pCV-H77C)



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FIG. 5





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GGAACTACTG	TCTTCAACGA	GAAAGOGTCT	AGCCATGGCG	TTAGTATGAG	100
TGTCGTGCAG	CCTCCAGGAC	CCCCCTCCC	GGGAGAGCCA	TAGTGGTCTG	150
CGGAACCGGT	GAGTACACCG	GAATTGCCAG	GACGACCGGG	TCTTTCTTG	200
GATAAACCCG	CTCAATGCTT	GGAGATTTGG	GCGTGGCCCC	GCAAGACTGC	250
TAGCCGAGTA	GTGTTGGGTC	GCGAAAGGOC	TTGTGGTACT	GCTGATAGG	300
GTGCTTGGCA	GTGCCCCGGG	AGGTCCTGTA	GACCGTGCAC	CATGAGCACG	350
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GGACGTCAAG	TTCCCGGGTG	GCGGTACAGT	CGTTGGTGGG	GTTTACTTGT	450
TGCCCGCCAG	GGGCCCTAGA	TTGGGTGTGC	GCGGACGAG	GAAGACTTCC	500
GAGCGGTCCG	AACCTCGAGG	TAGAAGTCAG	CCTATCCCCA	AGGCACGTCC	550
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TACCGCTCGT	CGCGCCCCCT	CTTGGAGGGG	CTGCCAGGGC	CCTGGCCCAT	800
GGCGTCCGGG	TTCTGGAAGA	CGCGTGAAC	TATGCAACAG	GGAACCTTCC	850
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TGCCCCCTTC	AGCCTACCAA	GTGCGCAATT	CCTCGGGGCT	TTACCATGTC	950
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GGTGTGTGGT	GGCGGTGACC	CCCACGGTGG	CCACCAGGGA	CGGCAAACTC	1100
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TGCTCCGGAT	CCCACAAGCC	ATCATGGACA	TGATGGCTGG	TGCTCACTGG	1400
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GGCACTACCC	TCCAAGACCT	TGTGGCATTG	TGCCCCGCAA	GAGCGTGTGT	1850
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FIG. 6A



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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
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TGGATGAACT	CAACTGGATT	CACCAAAGTG	TGCGGAGCGC	CCCCTTGIGT	2050
CATCGGAGGG	GTCGGCAACA	ACAOCCTTGT	CTGCCCCACT	GATTGCTTCC	2100
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FIG. 6B

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FIG. 6C

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FIG. 6D

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TGCTCAAGGA	GGTCAAAGCA	GCGGCGTCAA	AAGTGAAGGC	TAACTTGCTA	7850
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CGTGGCCATC	AAGTCCCTCA	CTGAGAGGCT	TTATGTTGGG	GGCCCTCTTA	8400
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FIG. 6E

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
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GCCGCATGAC	TGCAGAGAGT	GCTGATACTG	GCCTCTCTGC	AGATCATGT	9599

FIG. 6F

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LAHGVRVLED	GVNYATGNLP	GCSFSIFLLA	LLSCLTVPAS	AYQVRNSSGL	200
YHVINDCPNS	SIVYEADAI	LHTPGCVPCV	REGNASRCW	AVTPTVATRD	250
GKLPITQLR	HIDLLVGSAT	LCSALYVGD	CGSVFLVGQL	FIFSPRRHWT	300
TQDCNCSTYP	GHTTGHMAW	DMMNWSPTA	ALVVAQLLRI	PQAIMDMIAG	350
AHWGVLAGIA	YFSMVGWNAK	VLVWLLLFAG	VDAETHVTGG	NAGRTTAGLV	400
GLLTFGAKQN	IQLININGSW	HINSTALNQN	ESLNTGWLAG	LFYQHKFNSS	450
GCPERLASCR	RLTDFAQGWG	PISYANGSGL	DERPYCWHYP	PRPOGIVPAK	500
SVCGFVYCFT	PSPVAVGTID	RSGAPTYSWG	ANDIDVFEVLN	NIRPPLGNWF	550
GCTWMNSTGF	TKVCGAPFCV	IGGVGNLILL	CPIDCFRKHP	EATYSRQCSG	600
FWITPRQMD	YPYRLWHYPC	TINYTIFKVR	MYVGGVEHRL	EAACNWIRGE	650
RCDLEDRDRS	ELSPLLLSTT	QWQVLPCSFT	TLPALSTGLI	HLHQNTVDVQ	700
YLYGVGSSIA	SWAIKWEYV	LLFLLLADAR	VCSCIAMMLL	ISQAEAALEN	750
LVILNAASLA	GIHGLVSFLV	FFCFAWYLKG	RWVPGAVYAL	YGMWPLLLLL	800
LALPQRAYAL	DTEVAASCGG	VVLVGLMALT	LSPYYKRYIS	WCMWWLQYFL	850
TRVEAQLHW	VPPLNVRGGR	DAVILLMCVV	HPTLVFDITK	LLLAIFGPLW	900
ILQASLLKVP	YFVRVQGLLR	ICALARKIAG	GHYVQMAIHK	LGALTGTIVY	950
NHLITPLRDWA	HNGLRDLAVA	VEPVVFSRME	TKLITWADT	AACGDIINGL	1000
PVSARRQGEI	LLGPADGMVS	KGWRLAPIT	AYAQQIRGLL	GCIITSLTGR	1050
DKNQVEGEVQ	IVSTATQIFL	ATCINGVCWT	VYHGAGTRTI	ASPKGPVIQM	1100
YTNVDQDLVG	WPAPQGSRL	TPCTCGSSDL	YLVIRHADVI	PVRRRGDSRG	1150
SLLSRPPISY	LKGSSGGPLL	CPAGHAVGLF	RAAVCTRGVA	KAVDFIFVEN	1200
LGTIMRSPVF	TDNSSPPAVP	QSFQVAHLHA	PTGSGKSTKV	PAAYAAQGYK	1250
VLVLNPSVAA	TLGFGAYMSK	AHGVDENIRT	GVRTTTTGSP	ITYSTYGFKL	1300
ADGCCSGGAY	DIICDECHS	TDATSILGIG	TVLDQAEIAG	ARLVVLATAT	1350
PPGSVTVSHP	NIEEVALSTT	GEIPFYGKAI	PLEVTKGGRH	LIFCHSKKCC	1400
DELAACKLVAL	GINAVAYYRG	LDVSVIPTSG	DVVVVSIDAL	MIGFTGDFDS	1450
VIDCNTCVTQ	TVDFSLOPTF	TIETTTLPQD	AVSRTQRRGR	TGRGKPGIYR	1500
FVAPGERPSG	MFDSSVLCEC	YDAGCAWYEL	TPAETTVRLR	AYMNTFGLPV	1550
QQDHLEFWEG	VFTGLTHIDA	HFLSQTKQSG	ENFPYLVAYQ	ATVCARAQAP	1600
PPSWDQMWKC	LIRLKPTLHG	PTPLLYRLGA	VQNEVTLIHP	ITKYIMTQMS	1650
ADLEVVTSTW	VLVGGVLAAL	AAYCLSTGCV	VTVGRIVLSG	KPAIIPDREV	1700
LYQEFDEMEE	CSQHLFYIEQ	GMLAEQFKQ	KALGLLQIAS	RHAEVITPAV	1750
QTNWQKLEVF	WAKHMANFTS	GIQYLAGLST	LPGNPAIASL	MAFTAAVTSP	1800
LITGQITLLFN	ILGGWAAQL	AAPGAATAFV	GAGLAGAAIG	SVGLGKVLVD	1850
ILAGYGAGVA	GALVAFKIMS	GEVPSTEDLV	NLLPAILSPG	ALVVGWVCAA	1900

FIG. 6G

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
ILRRHVGPGE	GAVQWMNRLL	AFASRGNHVS	PIHYVPESDA	AARVTAILSS	1950
LTVTQLLRRL	HQWISSECTT	PCSGSWLRDI	WDWICEVLSD	EKTIWLKAKLM	2000
PQLPGIPFVS	QQRGYRGVWR	GDGIMHTRCH	CGAETTGHVK	NGIMRIVGPR	2050
TCRNMWSGTF	PINAYTTGFC	TPLPAFNYKF	ALWRVSAEEY	VEIRRVGDFH	2100
YVSGMTIDNL	KCPQOIPSPE	FFTELDGVRL	HRFAPPCKPL	LREEVSFRVG	2150
LHEYFVGSOL	PCEPEPDVAV	LTSMLTDP SH	ITAEAAGRRL	ARGSPPSMAS	2200
SSASQLSAPS	LKATCTANHD	SPDAELJEAN	LLWRQEMGGN	ITRVESENKV	2250
VILDSFDPLV	AEEDEREVS	PAETLRKSRR	FARALFVWAR	PDYNPPLVET	2300
WKKPDYEPFV	VHGCPLPPPR	SPPVPPPRKK	RIVVLTESTL	STALAEIATK	2350
SFGSSSTSGI	TGDNITTSSE	PAPSGCPPDS	DVESYSSMPP	LEGEFGDFDL	2400
SDGSWSIVSS	GADTEDVOC	SMSYSWIGAL	VTPCAAEEQK	LPINALSNSL	2450
LRHHNLVYST	TSRSACQRQK	KVTFDRLQVL	DSHYQDVLKE	VKAAASKVKA	2500
NLLSVEEACS	LTPPHSAKSK	FGYGAKDVRC	HARKAVAHIN	SWKDLLEDS	2550
VTPIDTTIMA	KNEVFCVQPE	KGGRKPARLI	VFPDLGVRVC	EKMALYDWS	2600
KLFLAVMGSS	YGFQYSPGQR	VEFLVQAWKS	KKTPMGFSYD	TRCFDSTVTE	2650
SDIRTEEATY	QCCDLDPQAR	VAIKSLTERL	YVGGPLINSR	GENCGYRRCR	2700
ASGVLTTSCG	NLTLCYIKAR	AACRAAGLQD	CTMLVCGDDL	VVICESAGVQ	2750
EDAASLRAFT	EAMTRYSAAP	GDPPQPEYDL	ELITSCSSNV	SVAHDGAGKR	2800
VYYLTRDPTT	PLARAAWEIA	RHTFVNSWLG	NIIMFAPILW	ARMILMIHFF	2850
SVLIARDQLE	QALNCETYGA	CYSIEPLDLP	PIIQRLHGLS	AFSLHSYSFG	2900
EINRVAACLR	KLGVPPLRAW	RHRARSVRAR	LLSRGGRAAI	CGKYLFWAV	2950
RTKLKLTPIA	AAGRDLDSGW	FTAGYSGGDI	YHSVSHARPR	WFWFCLLLLA	3000
AGVGIYLLPN	R				3011

FIG. 6H

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
GCCAGCCCCC	TGATGGGGGC	GACACTCCAC	CATGAATCAC	TCCCCGTGTA	50
GGAACACTG	TCTTCACGCA	GAAAGCGTCT	AGCCATGGCG	TTAGTATGAG	100
TGTGCTGCAG	CCTCCAGGAC	CCCCCCTCC	GGGAGAGCCA	TAGTGGTCTG	150
CGGAACCGGT	GAGTACACCG	GAATTGCCAG	GACGACGGG	TOCTTTCTTG	200
GATCAACCCG	CTCAATGCCT	GGAGATTITGG	GCGTGCCCCC	GCGAGACTGC	250
TAGCCGAGTA	GTGTTGGGTC	GCGAAAGGCC	TTGTGGTACT	GOCTGATAGG	300
GTGCTTGCGA	GTGCCCCGGG	AGGICTCGTA	GACCGTGCAC	CATGAGCACG	350
AATCCTAAAC	CTCAAAGAAA	AACCAAACGT	AACACCAACC	GCCGCCACA	400
GGACGTCAAG	TTCCCCGGCG	GTGGTCAGAT	CGTTGGTGGG	GTTTACCTGT	450
TGCCCCGCGAG	GGGCCCCAGG	TTGGGGTGTG	GCGCGACTAG	GAAGGCTTCC	500
GAGCGGTGCG	AACCTCGTGG	AAGGCGACAA	CCTATCCCAA	AGGCTCGCCG	550
ACCCGAGGGC	AGGGCCTGGG	CTCAGCCCGG	GTACCCCTTG	CCCCCTCATG	600
GCAATGAGGG	CCTGGGGTGG	GCAGGATGGC	TCCTGTACAC	CCGCGGCTCC	650
CGGCCTAGTT	GGGGCCCCAC	GGACCCCCCG	CGTAGGTGCG	GTAACCTGGG	700
TAAGGTCATC	GATACCCCTA	CATGCGGCTT	CGCCGATCTC	ATGGGGTACA	750
TTCCGCTCGT	CGGCGCCCCC	CTAGGGGGCG	CTGCCAGGGC	CTTGGCACAC	800
GGTGTCCGGG	TTCTGGAGGA	CGGCGTGAAC	TATGCAACAG	GGAACCTGCC	850
CGGTTGCTCT	TTCTCTATCT	TCCTCTTGGC	TCTGCTGTCC	TGTTTGACCA	900
TCCCAGCTTC	CGCTTATGAA	GTGCGCAACG	TGTCCGGGAT	ATACCATGTC	950
ACGAACGACT	GCTCCAACCT	AAGCATTTGT	TATGAGGCAG	CGGACGTGAT	1000
CATGCATACT	CCCGGGTGCG	TGCCCTGTGT	TCAGGAGGGT	AACAGCTCCC	1050
GTGCTGGGT	AGCGCTCACT	CCCACGCTCG	CGGCCAGGAA	TGCCAGCGTC	1100
CCCACTACGA	CAATACGACG	CCACGTGAC	TTGCTCGTTG	GGACGGCTGC	1150
TTTCTGCTCC	GCTATGTACG	TGGGGGATCT	CTGCCGATCT	ATTTTCTCTG	1200
TCTCCCAGCT	GTTACCTTTC	TCGCCCTCGC	GGCATGAGAC	AGTGCAGGAC	1250
TGCAACTGCT	CAATCTATCC	CGGCCATGTA	TCAGGTACAC	GCATGGCTTG	1300
GGATATGATG	ATGAACTGGT	CACCTACAAC	AGCCCTAGTG	GTGTGCGAGT	1350
TGCTCCGGAT	CCCACAAGCT	GTCGTGGACA	TGGTGGCGGG	GGCCCACTGG	1400
GGAGTCCCTG	CGGGCCTTGC	CTACTATTCC	ATGGTAGGGA	ACTGGGCTAA	1450
GGTTCTGATT	GTGGCGCTAC	TCTTTGCGCG	CGTTGACGGG	GAGACCCACA	1500
CGACGGGGAG	GGTGGCCGGC	CACACCACCT	CCGGGTTTAC	GTCCTTTTTC	1550
TCATCTGGGG	CGTCTCAGAA	AATCCAGCTT	GTGAATACCA	ACGGCAGCTG	1600
GCACATCAAC	AGGACTGCCC	TAAATTGCAA	TGACTCCCTC	CAAACCTGGT	1650
TCTTTGCGCG	GCTGTTTAC	GCACACAAGT	TCAACTCGTC	CGGGTGCCCC	1700
GAGCGCATGG	CCAGCTGCCG	CCCCATTGAC	TGGTTCCGCC	AGGGGTGGGG	1750
CCCCATCACC	TATACTAAGC	CTAACAGCTC	GGATCAGAGG	CCTTATTTGCT	1800
GGCATTACGC	GOCTCGACCG	TGTGGTGTG	TACCCGCGTC	GCAGGTGTGT	1850
GGTCCAGTGT	ATTGTTTCAC	CCCAAGCCCT	GTTGTGGTGG	GGACCACCGA	1900

FIG. 7A

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
TGGTTCCGGT	GTCCCTACGT	ATAGCTGGGG	GGAGAATGAG	ACAGACGTGA	1950
TGCTCCTCAA	CAACACGCGT	CCGCCACAAG	GCAACTGGTT	CGGCTGTACA	2000
TGGATGAATA	GTACTGGGTT	CACTAAGACG	TGCGGAGGTC	CCCCGIGTAA	2050
CATCGGGGGG	GTGGGTAAOC	GCACCTTGAT	CTGCCCCACG	GACTGCTTCC	2100
GGAAGCACCC	CGAGGCTACT	TACACAAAAT	GTCGCTGGGG	GCCCTGGTTG	2150
ACACCTAGGT	GCCTAGTAGA	CTACCCATAC	AGGCTTTGGC	ACTACCCCTG	2200
CACTCTCAAT	TTTTCCATCT	TTAAGGTTAG	GATGTATGTG	GGGGCGGTGG	2250
AGCACAGGCT	CAATGCCGCA	TGCAATTGGA	CTCGAGGAGA	GCGCTGTAAAC	2300
TTGGAGGACA	GGGATAGGTC	AGAACTCAGC	CCGCTGCTGC	TGCTTACAAC	2350
AGAGTGGCAG	ATACTGCCCT	GTGCTTTTAC	CACCTTACCG	GCTTTATCCA	2400
CTGGTTTIGAT	CCATCTCCAT	CAGAACATCG	TGGAAGTCCA	ATACCTGTAC	2450
GGTGTAGGGT	CAGCGTTTGT	CTCCTTTTCA	ATCAAATGGG	AGTACATCCT	2500
GTGCTTTTTC	CTTCTCCTGG	CAGACGCGCG	CGTGTGTGOC	TGCTTGTGGA	2550
TGATGCTGCT	GATAGCCGAG	GCTGAGGCCG	CCTTAGAGAA	CTTGGTGGTC	2600
CTCAATGCCG	CGTCCGTGGC	CGGAGCGCAT	GGTATTCTCT	CCTTTCTTGT	2650
GTCTTTCTGC	GCCGCCGTGG	ACATTAAGGG	CAGGCTGGCT	CCTGGGGGCG	2700
CGTATGCTTT	TTATGGCGTA	TGGCCGCTGC	TCCTGCTCCT	ACTGGCGTTA	2750
CCACCACGAG	CTTACGCCCT	GGACCGGGAG	ATGGCTGCAT	CGTCCGGGGG	2800
TGCGGTTCTT	GTAGGTCTGG	TATTCTTGAC	CTTGTCACCA	TACTACAAAG	2850
TGTTTCTCAC	TAGGCTCATA	TGGTGGTTAC	AATACTTTAT	CACCAGAGCC	2900
GAGGCGCACA	TGCAAGTGTG	GGTCCCCCCC	CTCAACGTTT	GGGGAGGCCG	2950
CGATGCCATC	ATCCTCCTCA	CGTGTGCGGT	TCATCCAGAG	TTAATTTTTG	3000
ACATCACCAA	ACTCCTGCTC	GCCATACTCG	GCCCCCTCAT	GGTGTCCAG	3050
GCTGGCATAA	CGAGAGTGCC	GTACTTCTGT	CGCGCTCAAG	GGCTCATTCG	3100
TGCATGCATG	TTAGTGGGAA	AAGTCGCGCG	GGGTCAATTAT	GTCCAAATGG	3150
TCTTCATGAA	GCTGGGCGCG	CTGACAGGTA	CGTACGTTTA	TAACCATCTT	3200
ACCCCACTGC	GGGACTGGGC	CCACGCGGGC	CTACGAGACC	TTGCGGTGGC	3250
GGTAGAGCCC	GTCTGCTTCT	CCGCCATGGA	GACCAAGGTC	ATCACCTGGG	3300
GAGCAGACAC	CGCTGCGTGT	GGGGACATCA	TCTTGGGTCT	ACCCGTCTCC	3350
GCCCGAAGGG	GGAAGGAGAT	ATTTTTTGGGA	CCGGCTGATA	GTCTCGAAGG	3400
GCAAGGGTGG	CGACTCCTTG	CGCCCATCAC	GGCCTACTCC	CAACAAACGC	3450
GGGGCGTACT	TGGTTGCATC	ATCACTAGCC	TCACAGGCCG	GGACAAGAAC	3500
CAGGTGGAAG	GGGAGGTTCA	AGTGGTTTCT	ACCGCAACAC	AATCTTTTCT	3550
GGCGACCTGC	ATCAACGGCG	TGTGCTGGAC	TCTCTACCAT	GGCGCTGGCT	3600
CGAAGACCTT	AGCCGGTCCA	AAAGGTCCAA	TCACCCAAAT	GTACACCAAT	3650
GTAGACCTGG	ACCTCGTCCG	CTGGCAGGCG	CCCCCGGGG	CGCGCTCCAT	3700
GACACCATGC	AGCTGTGGCA	GCTCGGACCT	TTACTTGGTC	ACGAGACATG	3750
CTGATGTCAT	TCCGGTGCGC	CGGCGAGGCG	ACAGCAGGGG	AAGTCTACTC	3800

FIG. 7B

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
TCCCCCAGGC	CCGTCTCCTA	CCTGAAAGGC	TCCTCGGGTG	GTCCATTGCT	3850
TTGCCCTTCG	GGGCAOGTCG	TGGGCGTCTT	CCGGGCTGCT	GTTGTGCAACC	3900
GGGGGGTGGC	GAAGGCGGGTG	GACTTCATAC	CCGTTGAGTC	TATGGAAACT	3950
ACCATGCGGT	CTCGGTCTT	CACAGACAAC	TCAACCCCCC	CGGCTGTACC	4000
GCAGACATTC	CAAGTGGCAC	ATCTGCACGC	TCCTACTGGC	AGGGCCAAGA	4050
GCAACAAAGT	GCCGGCTGGG	TATGCAGCCC	AAGGGTACAA	GGTGCTGGTC	4100
CTGAACCCGT	CCGTTGCCGC	CACTTACGGG	TTTGGGGCGT	ATATGTCCAA	4150
GGCACACGGT	ATCGACCCCTA	ACATCAGAAC	TGGGGTAAAG	ACCATTACCA	4200
CGGGCGGCTC	CATTACGTAC	TCCACCTATG	GCAAGTTCC	TGCGACGGT	4250
GGCTGTTCTG	GGGGCGCCTA	TGACATCATA	ATATGTGATG	AGTGCCACTC	4300
AACTGACTCG	ACTAACCATCT	TGGGCATCGG	CACAGTCTG	GACCAAGGG	4350
AGACGGCTGG	AGCGGGGCTC	GTCGTGCTCG	CCACCGCTAC	ACCTCCGGGA	4400
TCGGTTACCG	TGCCACACCC	CAATATCGAG	GAAATAGGCC	TGTCCAACAA	4450
TGGAGAGATC	CCCTTCTATG	GCAAAGOCAT	CCCATTTGAG	GCCATCAAGG	4500
GGGGGAGGCA	TCTCATTTTC	TGCCATTCCA	AGAAGAAATG	TGACGAGCTC	4550
GCCGCAAAGC	TGACAGGCCT	CGGACTGAAC	GCTGTAGCAT	ATTACCGGGG	4600
CCTTGATGTG	TCCGTCATAC	CGCCTATCGG	AGACGTGGTT	GTCGTGGCAA	4650
CAGACGCTCT	AATGACGGGT	TTCACCGGGG	ATTTTGAATC	AGTGATCGAC	4700
TGCAATACAT	GTGTACCCCA	GACAGTCGAC	TTCAGCTTGG	ATCCCACTT	4750
CACCATTTGAG	ACGACGACCG	TGCCCCAAGA	CGCGGTGTGG	CGCTCGCAAC	4800
GGCGAGGTAG	AACTGGCAGG	GGTAGGAGTG	GCATCTACAG	GTTTGTGACT	4850
CCAGGAGAAC	GGCCCTCGGG	CATGTTCCAT	TCTTCGGTCC	TGTGTGAGTG	4900
CTATGACCGG	GGCTGTGCTT	GGTATGAGCT	CACGCCCGCT	GAGACCTCGG	4950
TTAGGTTTGG	GGCTTACCTA	AATACACCAG	GGTTGCCCGT	CTGCCAGGAC	5000
CATCTGGAGT	TCTGGGAGAG	CGTCTTCACA	GGCCTCACCC	ACATAGATTC	5050
CCACTTCCTG	TCCCAGACTA	AACAGGCAGG	AGACAACCTT	CCTTACCTGG	5100
TGGCATATCA	AGCTACAGTG	TGCGCCAGGG	CTCAGCTCC	ACCTCCATCG	5150
TGGGACCAA	TGTGGAAGTG	TCTCATACCG	CTGAAACCTA	CACTGCAOAG	5200
GCCAACACCC	CTGCTGTATA	GGCTAGGAGC	CGTCCAAAAT	GAGGTTCATC	5250
TCACACACCC	CATAACTAAA	TACATCATGG	CATGCATGTC	GGCTGACCTG	5300
GAGGTGCTCA	CTAGCACCTG	GGTGCTGGTA	GGCGGAGTCC	TGTGAGCTTT	5350
GGCGCATAC	TGCCTGACGA	CAGGCAGTGT	GGTCATTGTG	GGCAGGATCA	5400
TCTTGTCCGG	GAAGCCAGCT	GTCGTTCCCG	ACAGGGAGGT	CCTCTACCAG	5450
GAGTTCCGATG	AGATGGAAGA	GTTGTCCCTCA	CACTTTCCTT	ACATCGAGCA	5500
GGGAATGCAG	CTCGCCGAGC	AATTCAAGCA	AAAGGCGCTC	GGGTGTGTGC	5550
AAACGGCCAC	CAAGCAAGCG	GAGGCTGCTG	CTCCCGTGGT	GGAGTCCAAG	5600
TGGCGAGCCC	TTGAGACCTT	CTGGGCGAAG	CACATGTGGA	ATTTTCATCAG	5650
CGGAATACAG	TACCTAGCAG	GCTTATCCAC	TCTGCCTGGA	AACCCCGCGA	5700

FIG. 7C

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
TAGCATCATT	GATGGCATT	ACAGCTTCTA	TCACTAGCCC	GCTCACCACC	5750
CAAAACACCC	TCTGTTTTAA	CATCTTGGGG	GGATGGGTGG	CTGCCCCAAT	5800
CGCTCCTCCC	AGCGCTGCGT	CAGCTTTTCGT	GGCGCGCGGC	ATCGCGCGAG	5850
CGGCTGTGG	CAGCATAGGC	CTTGGGAAGG	TGCTCGTGGG	CATCTTGGCG	5900
GGCTATGGGG	CAGGGGTAGC	CGGCGCACTC	GTGGCCTTTA	AGGTCATGAG	5950
CGGCGAGGTG	CCCTCCACCG	AGGAOCTGGT	CAACTTACTC	CCTGOCATCC	6000
TCTCTCCTGG	TGCCCCGGTC	GTGGGGGTGG	TGTGCGCAGC	AATACTGGGT	6050
CGGCAOGTGG	GCCCCGGAGA	GGGGGCTGTG	CAGTGGATGA	ACCGGCTGAT	6100
AGCGTTGGCT	TGCGGGGGTA	ACCAOCTCTC	CCCTACGCAC	TATGTGGCTG	6150
AGAGCGACGC	TGCAGCAOCT	GTCACTCAGA	TCTCTCTTAG	CCTTACCATC	6200
ACTCAACTGC	TGAAGCGGCT	CCACCACTGG	ATTAAATGAG	ACTGCTCTAC	6250
GCCATGCTCC	GGCTCGTGGC	TAAGGGATGT	TTGGGATTGG	ATATGCACGG	6300
TGTTGACTGA	CTTCAAGACC	TGGCTCCAGT	CCAAACTCCT	GCCGCGGTTA	6350
CCGGGAGTCC	CTTTCTGTGC	ATGCCAACGC	GGGTACAAGG	GAGTCTGGCG	6400
GGGGGACGGC	ATCATGCAAA	CCACCTGCCC	ATGCGGAGCA	CAGATCGCCG	6450
GACATGTCAA	AAACGGTTCC	ATGAGGATCG	TAGGGCCTAG	AACCTGCAGC	6500
AACACGTGGC	ACGGAACGTT	CCCCATCAAC	GCATACACCA	CGGGACCTTG	6550
CACACCTCC	CCGGCGCCCA	ACTATTCCAG	GGCGCTATGG	CGGGTGGCTG	6600
CTGAGGAGTA	CGTGGAGGTT	ACGCGTGTGG	GGGATTTCCA	CTACGTGACG	6650
GGCATGACCA	CTGACAACGT	AAAGTGCCCA	TGCCAGGTTT	CGGCCCCCGA	6700
ATTCTTCACG	GAGGTGGATG	GAGTGCGGTT	GCACAGGTAC	GCTCCGGCGT	6750
GCAAACCTCT	TCTACGGGAG	GACGTCAOCT	TCCAGGTCCG	GCTCAACCAA	6800
TACTTGGTGG	GGTCGCAGCT	CCCATGCGAG	CCCGAACCGG	ACGTAAACAGT	6850
GCTTACTTCC	ATGCTCACC	ATCCCTCCCA	CATTACAGCA	GAGACGGCTA	6900
AGCGTAGGCT	GGCTAGAGGG	TCTCCCCCTT	CTTTAGCCAG	CTCATCAGCT	6950
AGCCAGTTGT	CTGCGCCTTC	TTTGAAGGCG	ACATGCACTA	CCACCATGA	7000
CTCCCCGGAC	GCTGACCTCA	TGAGAGCCAA	CCCTTTGTGG	CGGCAGGAGA	7050
TGGGCGGAAA	CATCACTCGC	GTGGAGTCAG	AGAATAAGGT	AGTAATTCTG	7100
GACTCTTTGG	AACCGCTTCA	CGCGGAGGGG	GATGAGAGGG	AGATATCCGT	7150
CGCGGCGGAG	ATCCTGCGAA	AATCCAGGAA	GTCCCCCTCA	GCGTTGCCCA	7200
TATGGGCACG	CCCGGACTAC	AATCCTCCAC	TGCTAGAGTC	CTGGAAGGAC	7250
CCGGACTACG	TCCCTCCGGT	GGTACACGGA	TGCCCATTGC	CACCTACCAA	7300
GGCTCCTCCA	ATACCACCTC	CACGGAGAAA	GAGGACGGTT	GTCCTGACAG	7350
AATCCAATGT	GTCTTCTGCC	TTGGCGGAGC	TGCGCACTAA	GACCTTCGGT	7400
AGCTCCGGAT	CGTCGGCCGT	TGATAGCGGC	ACGGCGACCG	CCCTTCTCTG	7450
CCTGGCCTCC	GACGACGGTG	ACAAAGGATC	CGACGTTGAG	TGCTACTCCT	7500
CCATGCCCCC	CCTTGAAGGG	GAGCCGGGGG	ACCCCGATCT	CAGCGACGGG	7550
TCTTGGTCTA	CCGTGAGTGA	GGAGGCTAGT	GAGGATGTGG	TCTGCTGCTC	7600

FIG. 7D

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10	20	30	40	50	
1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	1234567890	
AATGTCTTAT	ACGTGGACAG	GCGCCCTGAT	CACGCCATGC	GCTGCGGAGG	7650
AAAGTAAAGCT	GCCCATCAAC	CCGTTGAGCA	ACTCTTTTGCT	GCGTCAACCAC	7700
AACATGGTCT	ACGCCACAAC	ATCCCGCAGC	GCAAGCCTCC	GGCAGAAGAA	7750
GGTCACTTTT	GACAGATTGC	AAGTCCCTGA	TGATCATTTAC	CGGGACGTAC	7800
TCAAGGAGAT	GAAGGCGAAG	GCGTCCACAG	TTAAGGCTAA	GCTTCTATCT	7850
ATAGAGGAGG	OCTGCAAGCT	GACGCCCCCA	CATTGCGCCA	AATOCAAATT	7900
TGGCTATGGG	GCAAAGGAAG	TCCGGAACCT	ATCCAGCAGG	GCGTTAACC	7950
ACATCCGCTC	CGTGTGGGAG	GACTTGTCTG	AAGACACTGA	AACACCAATT	8000
GACACCACCA	TCATGGCAAA	AAGTGAGGTT	TTCTGGGTCC	AACCAGAGAA	8050
GGGAGGCGC	AAGCCAGCTC	GCCTTATCGT	ATTCCAGAC	CTGGGAGTTC	8100
GTGTATGCGA	GAAGATGGCC	CTTTACGAAG	TGGTCTCCAC	CCTTCCCTCAG	8150
GCCGTGATGG	GCTCCCTCATA	CGGATTTCAA	TACTCCCCCA	AGCAGCGGGT	8200
CGAGTTCCCTG	GTGAATAACCT	GGAAATCAAA	GAAATGCOCT	ATGGGCTTCT	8250
CATATGACAC	CCGCTGTTTT	GACTCAACGG	TCACTGAGAG	TGACATTCTG	8300
GTGAGGAGT	CAATTTACCA	ATGTTGTGAC	TTGGCCCCCG	AGGCCAGACA	8350
GGCCATAAGG	TGCTCACAG	AGCGGCTTTA	CATCGGGGGT	CCCCTGACTA	8400
ACTCAAAAGG	GCAGAACTGC	GGTTATCGCC	GGTGCCGCGC	AAGTGGCGTG	8450
CTGACGACTA	GCTGCGGTAA	TACCCCTCACA	TGTTACTTGA	AGGCCACTGC	8500
AGCCTGTCCG	GCTGCAAAGC	TCCAGGACTG	CACGATGCTC	GTGAACGGAG	8550
ACGACCTTGT	CGTTATCTGT	GAAAGCGCGG	GAACCCAGGA	GGATGCGGCG	8600
GCCCTACGAG	CCTTCACGGA	GGCTATGACT	AGGTATTCCG	CCCCCCCCCG	8650
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FIG. 7E

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FIG. 7G

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FIG. 7H

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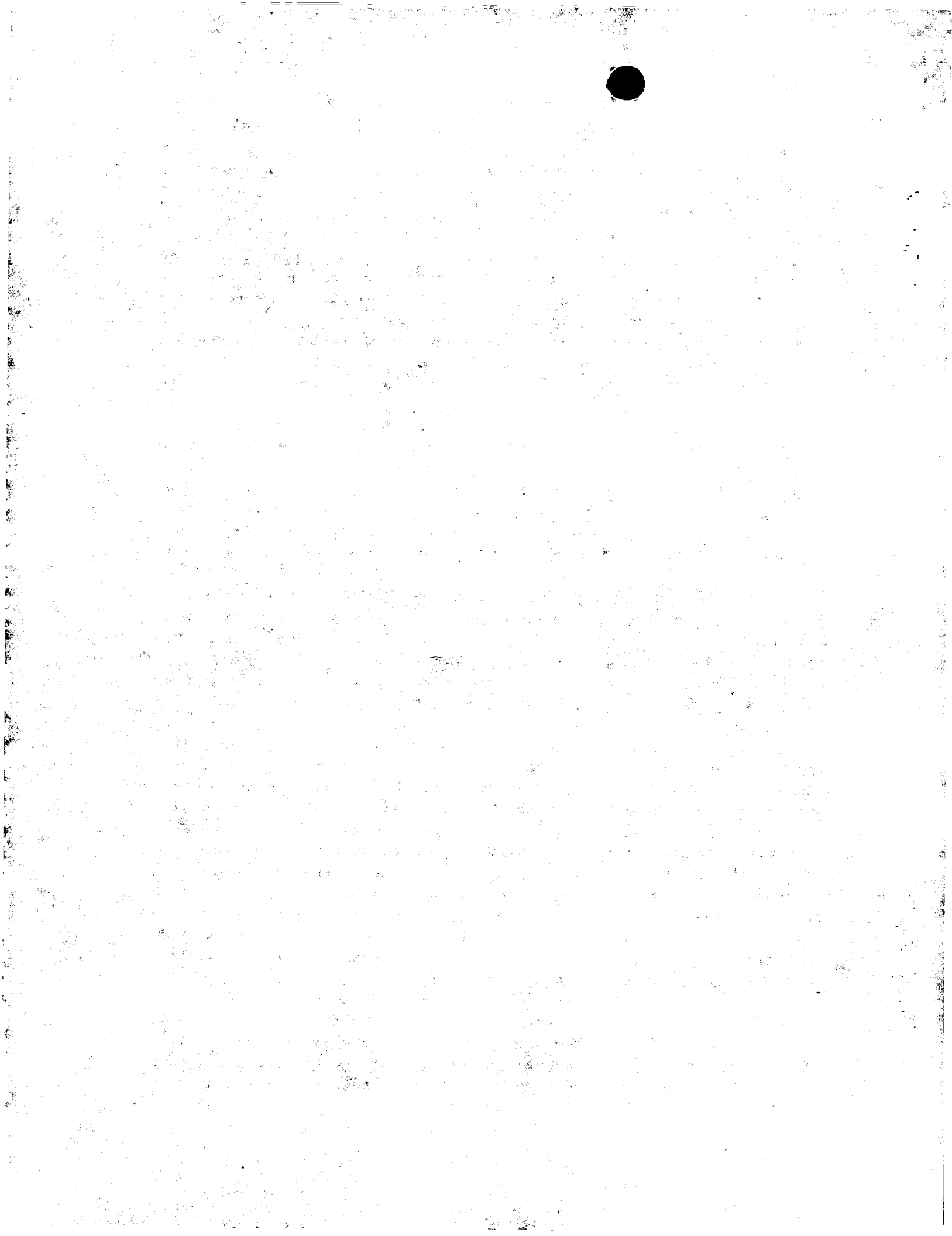
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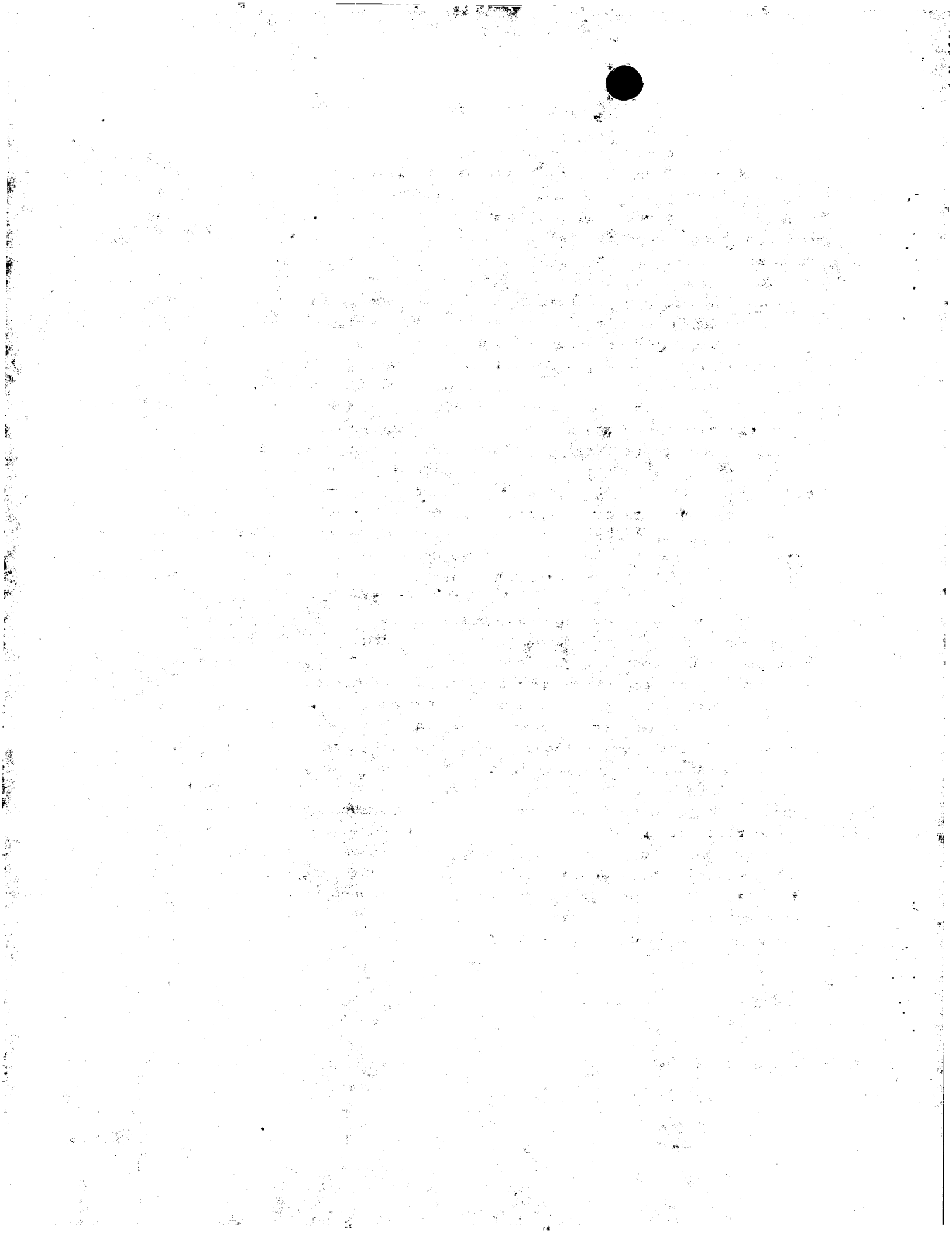
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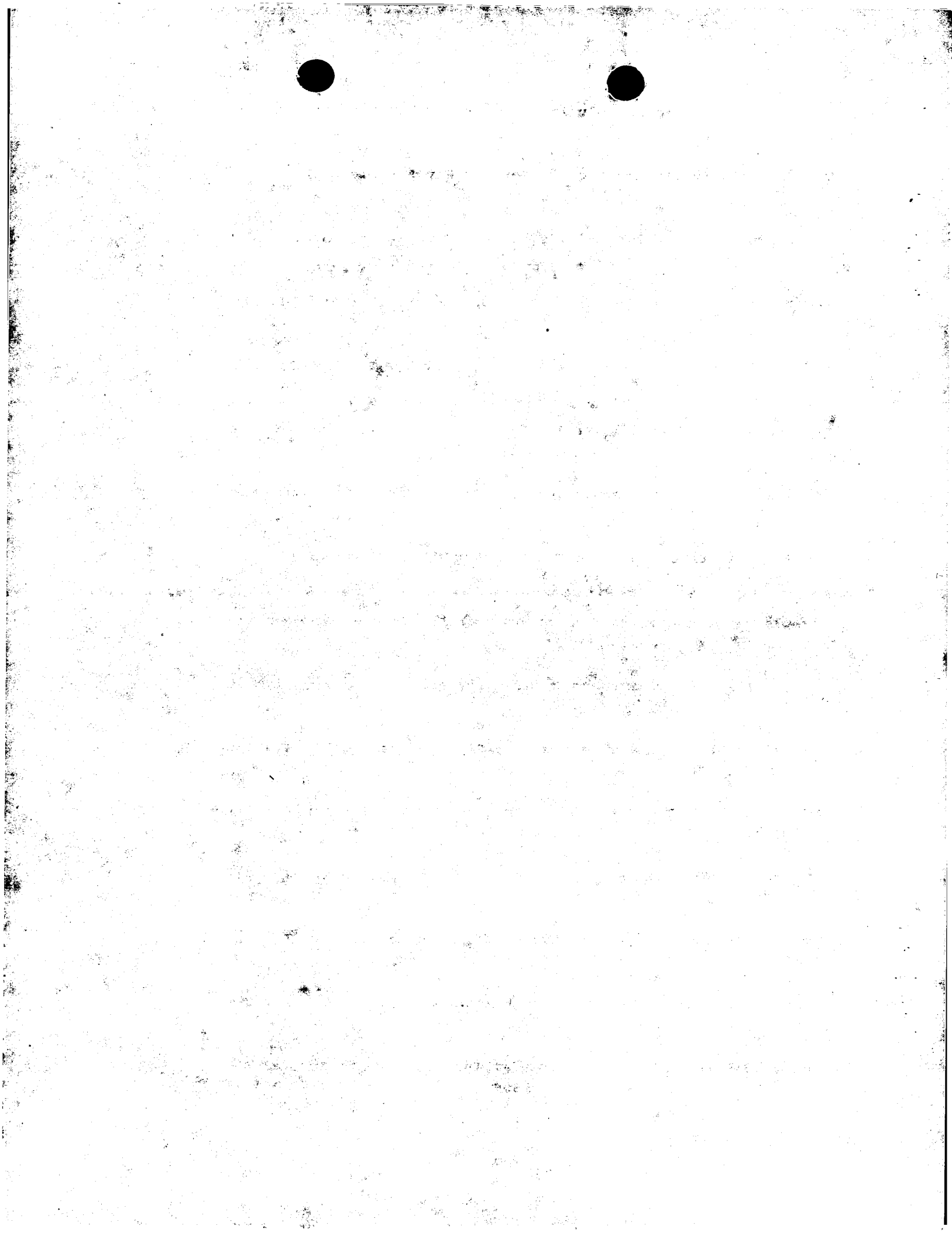
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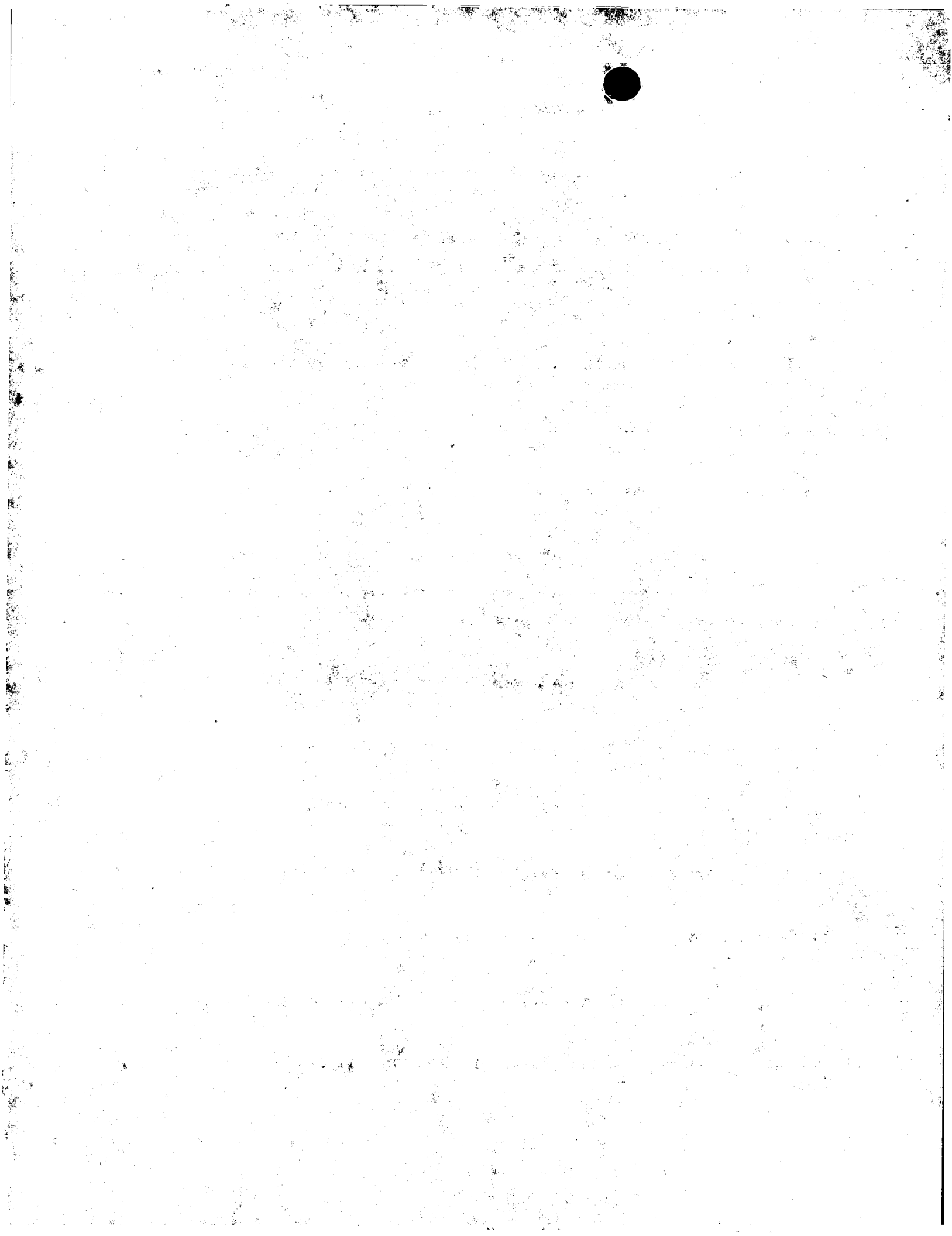
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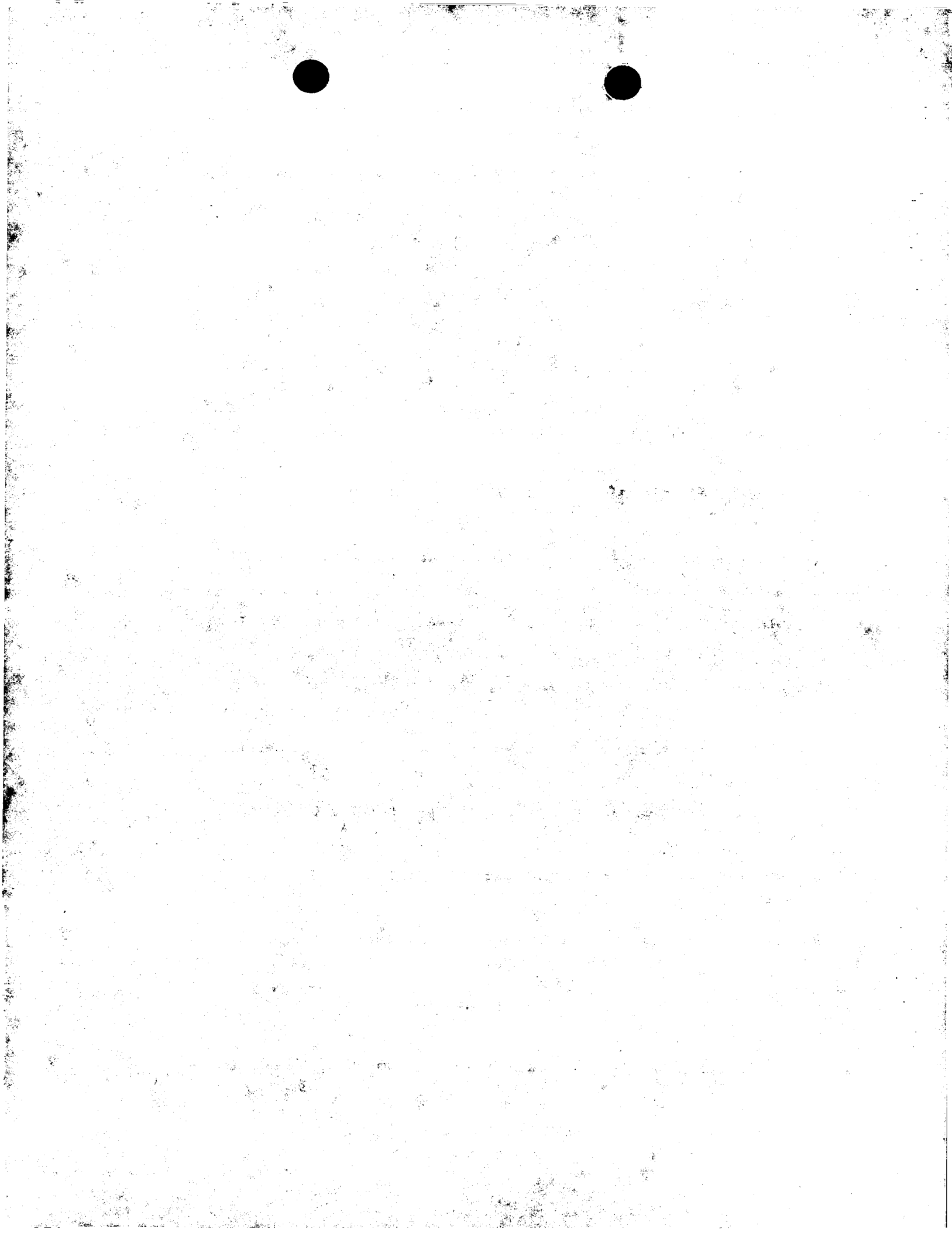
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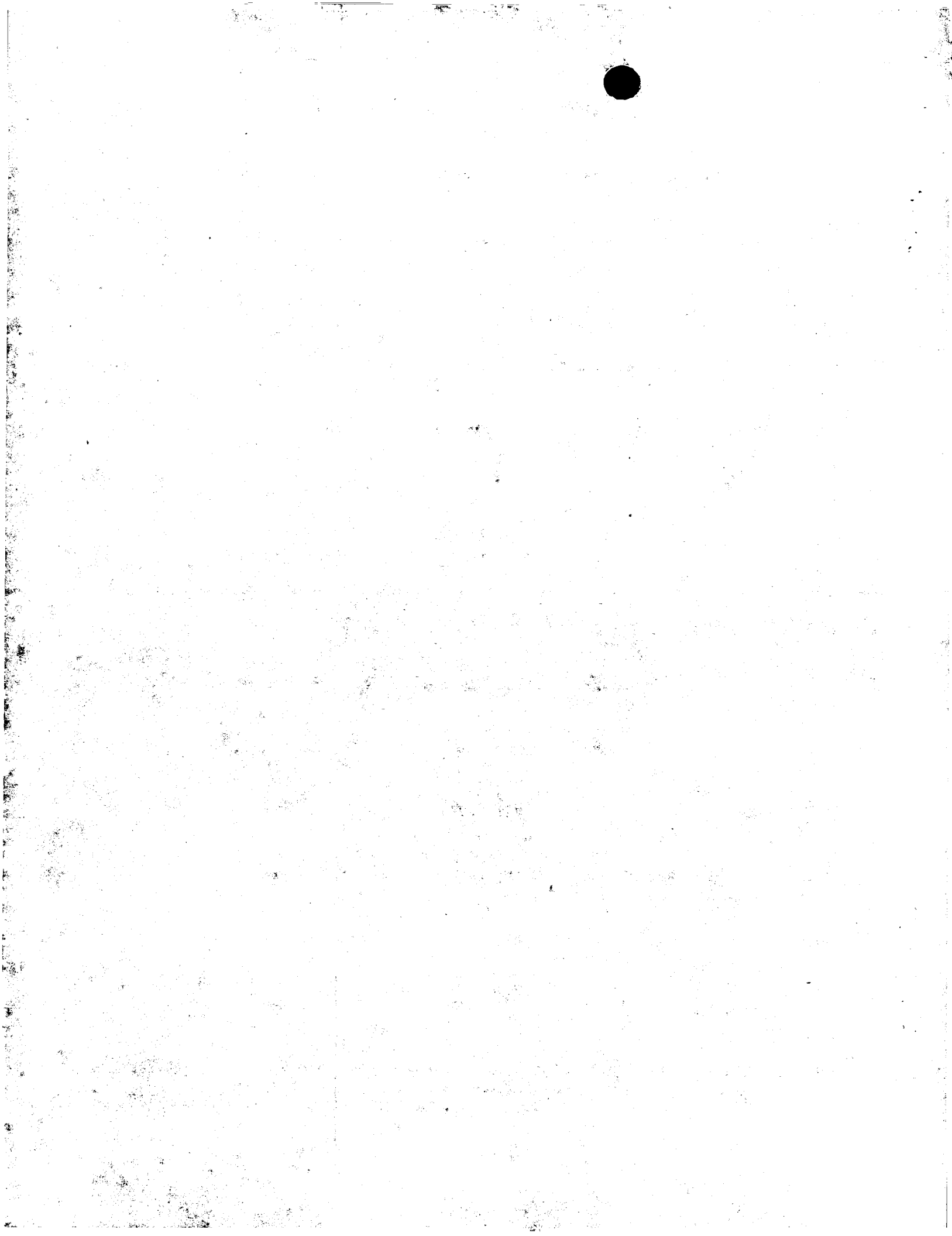
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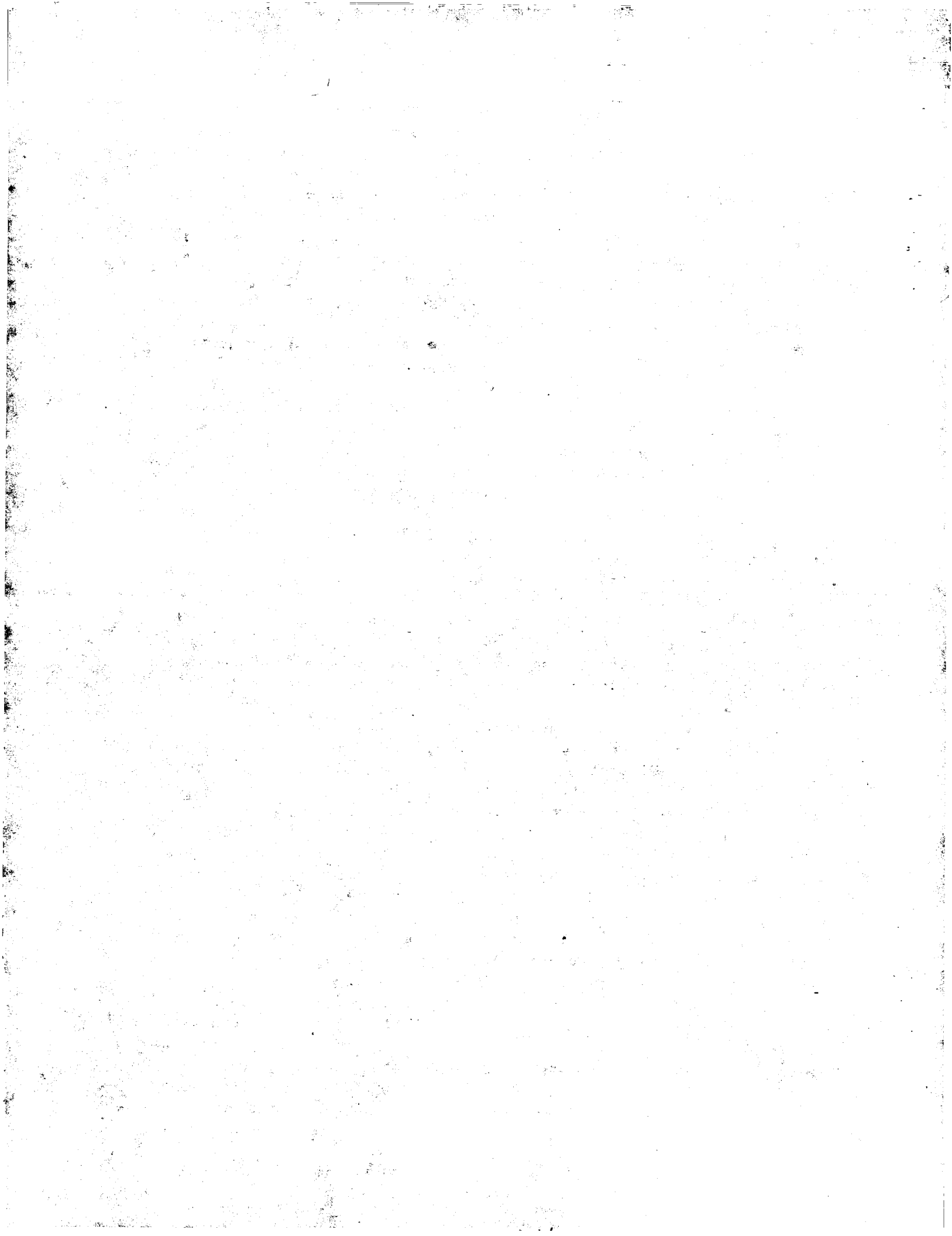
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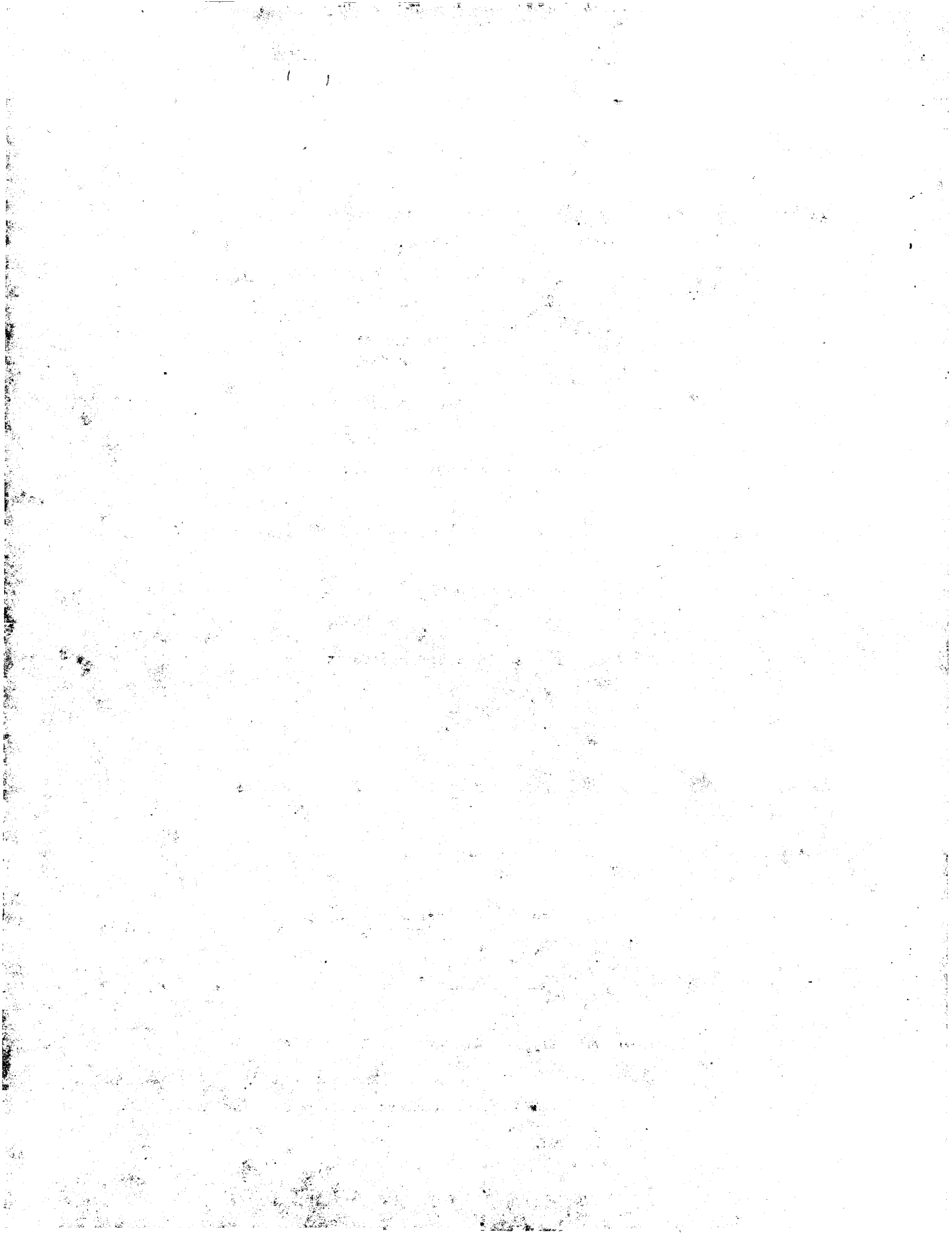
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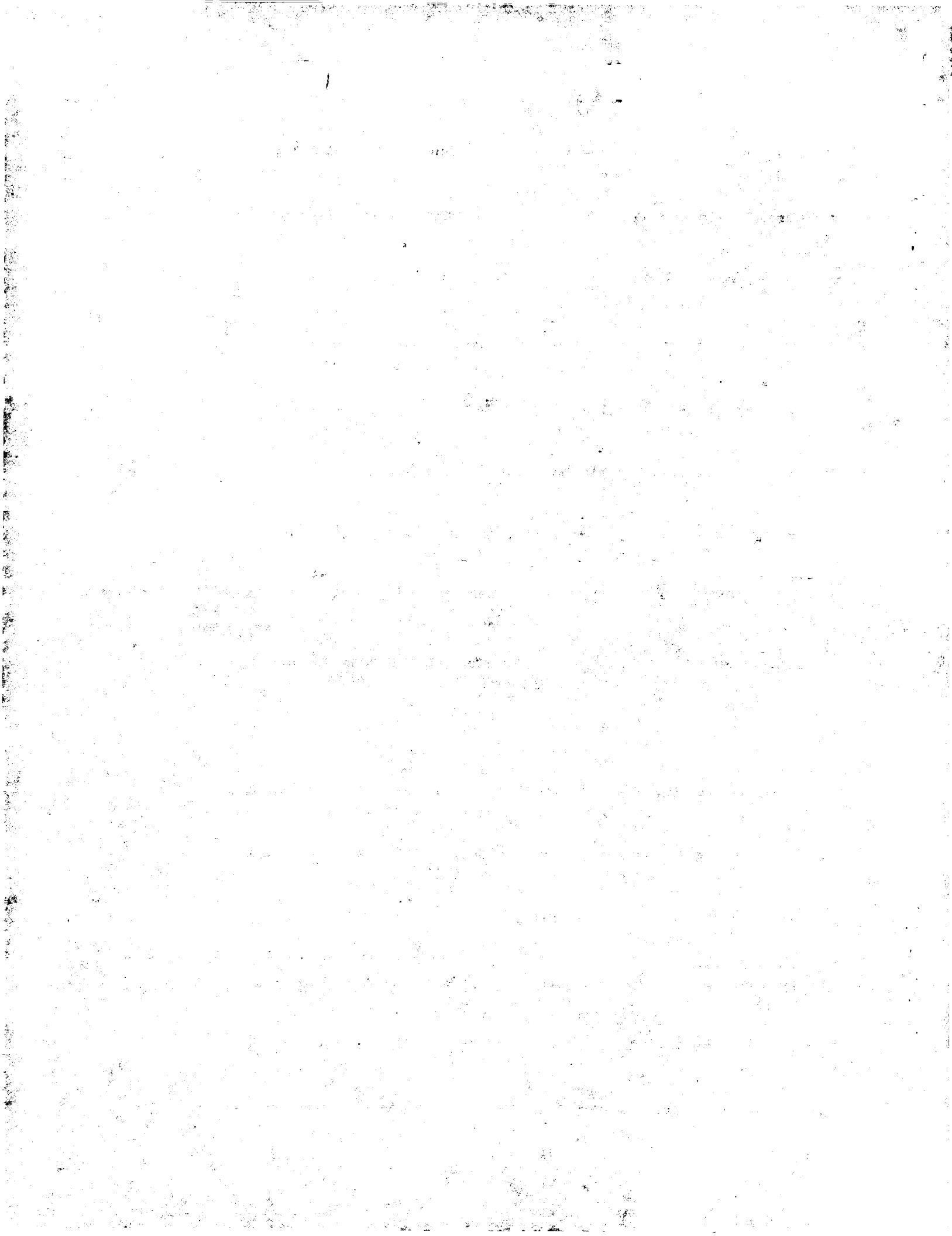
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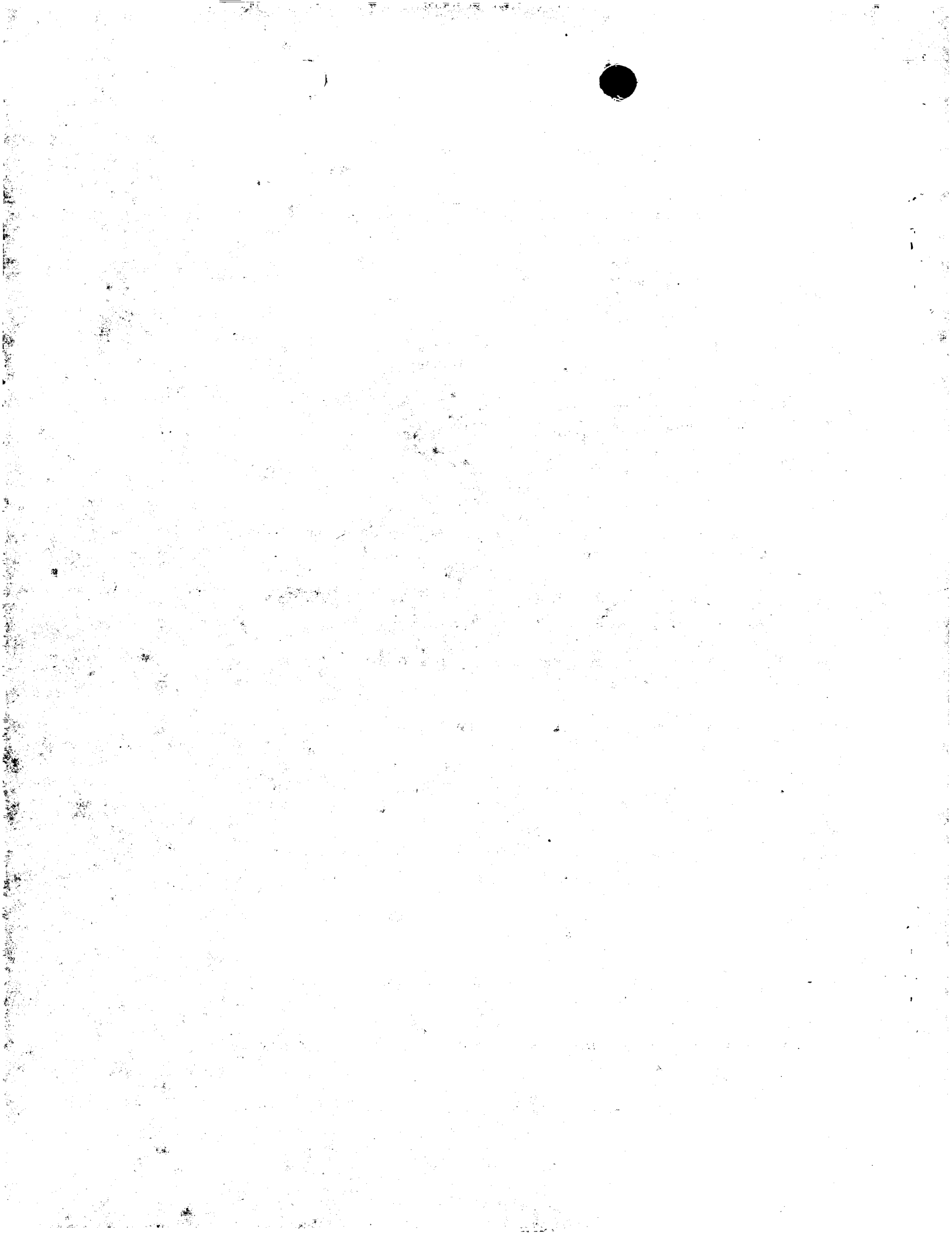
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